GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1807 TO BE ANSWERED ON 3rd JULY, 2019

PLANTATION WORKERS

1807. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any data regarding the plantation workers in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल) THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b): Estimated number of workers engaged in plantation sector covering tea, coffee, rubber and cardamom are as under:

Tea	Assam	West Bengal	Tamil Nadu	Kerala	Tripura	Karnataka	Other States	Total
	6,84,654	3,37,316	49,410	40,773	13,257	3,059	3,473	11,31,942

Source: Tea Board.

Coffee	Karnataka Kerala		Tamil Nadu	Non Traditional Area (Odisha & Andhra Pradesh)	Total
	5,14,695	44,194	31,274	69,703	6,59,866

Source: Coffee Board.

Rubber	Kerala	Tamil Nadu	Karnataka	Tripura	Assam	Other States	Total
	3,04,000	13,300	29,500	45,600	29,800	28,800	4,51,000

Source: Rubber Board.

	Kerala	Karnataka	Tamil Nadu	Total
Cardamom (small)	29,150	18,850	3,800	51,800

Source: Spices Board.