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IMPORT AND EXPORT FROM AGRICULTURAL SECTOR

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

- (a) the details of quantity and value of exported and imported items compared to the fixed target of foodgrains and other agricultural products during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise;
- (b) the share of agriculture sector including country's share in the total export of the country and the share of different States/Union Territories in it;
- (c) whether there has been a negative increase in the export of six major agricultural products including tea, spices and tobacco during the year 2016-17 and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has assessed any long-term impact on this export of agriculture and horticulture sector in the country and if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- (e) the measures taken by the Government to augment the export of such products in order to improve the competition of Indian products in the natural market and to formulate long term importexport policy for agricultural products without affecting the domestic demand/price in the context of products value and their varieties?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a) The details of quantity and value of exports and imports of foodgrains and other agricultural products, during the last three years and the current year, are at Annexure-I and Annexure-II respectively. Country-wise details for the last three years (top 10 countries) are at Annexure-III. As export and import of agricultural products depend on several factors such as International & domestic demand & supply situation, international & domestic prices, quality concerns, food security concerns etc., no targets for exports or imports are fixed.

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(b) The share of agriculture sector in the country's total exports, during the last three years, has been as under:

Year	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Share of agriculture sector in total exports	12.07%	12.66%	11.76%

Source: DGCI&S

State/Union Territory-wise data is not published by the Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence & Statistics (DGCI&S).

(c) Overall exports of agricultural products grew by 2.64% in 2016-17 as compared to the previous year. The exports of tea, spices and manufactured tobacco grew by 1.56%, 12.22% and 2.41% respectively while the exports of unmanufactured tobacco declined by 4.65%. Some of the major commodities, which registered a decline in exports were buffalo meat (-4.07%), basmati rice (-7.75%) and cotton (-16.38%). There are several reasons for the decline viz. lower prices and demand in the international market, unfavourable currency movements, international developments like sanctions against Iran and Russia etc.

(d) No study has been conducted to assess the long term impact of exports on the agricultural and horticultural sector by the Department of Commerce. However, it is expected that exports not only provide better market opportunities to the growers but also generally help in increasing their income.

(e) To promote the agricultural exports, The Government has introduced a comprehensive Agriculture Export Policy with the following vision:-

“Harness export potential of Indian agriculture, through suitable policy instruments, to make India a global power in agriculture, and raise farmers’ income.”

Inter-alia, the objectives of the Agriculture Export policy are as under:

- (i) To diversify our export basket, destinations and boost high value and value added agricultural exports, including focus on perishables.
- (ii) To promote novel, indigenous, organic, ethnic, traditional and non-traditional Agri products exports.
- (iii) To provide an institutional mechanism for pursuing market access, tackling barriers and dealing with sanitary and phytosanitary issues.
- (iv) To strive to double India's share in world agri exports by integrating with global value chains.
- (v) Enable farmers to get benefit of export opportunities in overseas market.

The Government has also brought out a new Central Sector Scheme – ‘Transport and Marketing Assistance for Specified Agriculture Products’ - for providing assistance for the international component of freight, to mitigate the freight disadvantage for the export of agriculture products, and marketing of agricultural products.

The Department of Commerce also has several schemes to promote exports, including exports of agricultural products, viz. Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES), Market Access Initiatives (MAI) Scheme, Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS) etc. In addition, assistance to the exporters of agricultural products is also available under the Export Promotion Schemes of Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA), Tobacco Board, Tea Board, Coffee Board, Rubber Board and Spices Board.

EXPORT OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS									
Quantity: in thousand units; Value: USD Million									
		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19		2019-20 (Apr-May)	
Description	UNIT	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Alcoholic Beverages	LTR	2,32,179.33	298.90	2,41,013.37	326.67	2,31,601.93	300.91	24,470.87	38.17
Animal Casings	KGS	173.24	2.06	12,424.66	50.68	14,882.83	68.27	1,860.28	9.18
Buffalo Meat	TON	1,323.58	3,903.49	1,350.25	4,037.11	1,233.38	3,587.15	196.12	553.36
Cashew	TON	91.79	786.93	90.06	922.41	78.22	654.43	10.73	84.50
Cashew Nut Shell Liquid	KGS	11,404.76	6.56	8,325.16	5.06	5,300.66	3.87	651.15	0.47
Castor Oil	KGS	5,99,195.56	674.73	6,97,092.50	1,043.99	6,19,376.57	883.78	1,08,029.60	180.07
Cereal Preparations	TON	339.95	531.70	353.35	552.61	347.77	551.74	54.30	87.27
Cocoa Products	KGS	25,649.50	162.18	29,579.53	177.47	27,603.73	192.69	4,617.91	30.16
Coffee	KGS	2,88,613.37	842.84	3,17,828.97	968.57	2,82,889.02	822.34	56,749.99	149.54
Cotton Raw Incl. Waste	TON	996.09	1,621.11	1,101.47	1,894.25	1,143.07	2,104.41	66.99	118.70
Dairy Products	KGS	90,352.31	253.73	1,02,262.55	303.05	1,80,698.38	481.55	26,150.46	71.90
Florieltr Products	KGS	22,020.33	81.55	20,703.51	78.73	19,726.56	81.78	2,983.68	13.45
Fresh Fruits	TON	817.06	743.23	714.00	761.79	754.75	794.04	155.35	154.15
Fresh Vegetables	TON	3,404.07	863.12	2,448.02	821.76	2,933.37	810.44	449.73	119.96
Fruits / Vegetable Seeds	KGS	11,288.62	78.16	14,465.77	104.04	17,419.48	124.92	2,534.57	30.91
Groundnut	TON	725.71	809.60	504.04	524.82	489.19	472.74	85.97	92.05
Guergam Meal	TON	419.95	463.35	494.13	646.94	513.22	674.88	91.96	117.43
Marine Products	KGS	11,85,272.87	5,903.06	14,32,456.67	7,389.22	14,36,680.63	6,802.24	2,24,351.96	996.97
Milled Products	KGS	2,55,803.65	121.37	2,70,396.97	136.01	3,07,367.50	151.46	46,225.21	23.13
Misc Processed Items		-	455.59	-	550.55	-	658.35	-	106.10
Mollases	TON	390.67	47.06	123.97	15.06	841.16	83.76	113.25	11.53
Natural Rubber	TON	24.46	37.65	7.70	13.89	6.66	11.02	1.13	1.90
Niger Seeds	KGS	14,070.46	17.46	9,215.04	10.84	13,370.58	13.64	2,001.16	2.33
Oil Meals	TON	2,632.26	805.45	3,570.78	1,093.16	4,486.14	1,511.52	483.70	145.05
Other Cereals	TON	734.77	212.30	864.24	248.59	1,277.00	349.06	89.28	36.15
Other Meat	TON	0.01	0.03	0.45	1.09	0.85	1.96	0.35	0.76
Other Oil Seeds	TON	193.27	126.00	295.10	174.79	213.83	131.57	18.88	13.27
Poultry Products		-	79.11	-	85.70	-	98.17	-	14.23
Processed Fruits And Juices	KGS	5,33,152.10	584.79	5,73,281.42	646.92	5,92,174.58	639.65	89,406.13	95.12
Processed Meat	TON	0.14	0.69	0.27	1.54	0.41	2.00	0.16	0.90
Processed Vegetables	KGS	1,92,855.77	263.57	2,12,203.36	282.87	2,28,872.64	293.95	38,164.28	48.93
Pulses	TON	136.72	191.05	179.60	227.75	285.83	259.34	28.96	26.43
Rice -Basmati	TON	3,985.21	3,208.60	4,056.85	4,169.56	4,414.61	4,712.44	864.03	932.20
Rice(Other Than Basmati)	TON	6,770.83	2,525.19	8,818.53	3,636.60	7,599.75	3,040.22	711.84	293.82
Sesame Seeds	KGS	3,07,328.55	402.17	3,36,850.37	463.90	3,11,987.34	538.94	41,637.11	84.06
Sheep/Goat Meat	TON	22.01	129.69	22.80	130.90	21.67	124.65	3.62	22.98
Shellac	KGS	6,065.00	33.60	6,530.85	44.22	6,996.04	43.70	1,039.16	6.24
Spices	KGS	10,14,453.31	2,851.95	10,96,322.85	3,115.37	10,91,789.68	3,322.56	2,09,119.92	586.77
Sugar	TON	2,544.01	1,290.71	1,757.93	810.90	3,987.96	1,359.75	1,189.20	382.87
Tea	KGS	2,43,429.62	731.26	2,72,894.98	837.36	2,70,300.12	830.90	39,617.55	132.90
Tobacco Manufactured		-	324.31	-	340.37	-	410.96	-	59.46
Tobacco Unmanufactured	KGS	2,04,447.42	634.38	1,85,363.88	593.88	1,89,538.70	570.28	32,419.79	102.26
Vegetable Oils	TON	60.47	116.29	37.06	87.83	49.95	106.79	8.51	19.79

Wheat	TON	265.61	66.85	322.79	96.72	226.23	60.31	16.90	4.42
TOTAL			33,283.41		38,425.52		38,739.10		6,001.81

Source: DGCIS

IMPORT OF AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES									
Quantity: in thousand units; Value: USD Million									
DESCRIPTION	UNIT	2016-17		2017-18		2018-19		2019-20 (Apr-May)	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Alcoholic Beverages	LTR	4,52,717.72	535.56	5,63,769.85	601.22	5,87,940.57	667.60	1,10,410.99	122.48
Cashew	TON	774.51	1,346.58	654.02	1,418.63	839.64	1,607.54	137.03	199.80
Cashew Nut Shell Liquid	KGS	1,687.77	0.55	2,092.36	0.88	6,611.49	3.02	4,150.78	1.47
Castor Oil	KGS	107.21	0.22	38.37	0.40	223.82	0.76	48.05	0.25
Cereal Preparations	TON	66.46	86.33	71.10	102.35	90.24	137.86	12.24	16.49
Cocoa Products	KGS	63,611.90	229.67	71,257.55	228.51	87,593.24	263.14	14,433.88	42.37
Coffee	KGS	78,041.34	138.20	77,217.05	154.73	82,772.39	137.67	12,833.96	20.16
Cotton Raw Incd. Waste	TON	499.62	946.88	469.13	979.32	298.98	632.98	76.26	155.72
Dairy Products	KGS	16,906.34	38.02	23,393.63	48.51	13,643.20	36.43	1,573.81	4.71
Floricultr Products	KGS	5,568.39	19.96	6,241.10	21.16	6,374.48	24.97	1,974.59	12.27
Fresh Fruits	TON	1,057.51	1,682.88	994.70	1,942.92	1,124.18	1,987.58	230.80	359.88
Fresh Vegetables	TON	8.55	1.66	15.66	3.98	14.75	3.40	0.10	0.38
Fruits / Vegetable Seeds	KGS	14,073.87	97.42	16,051.46	119.19	19,725.77	119.77	2,116.14	22.26
Groundnut	TON	0.33	0.21	1.72	2.02	1.09	1.16	0.17	0.18
Guergam Meal	TON	0.18	0.36	0.43	0.51	0.72	0.84	0.40	0.26
Marine Products	KGS	52,015.03	94.37	44,713.34	123.06	56,933.36	155.70	10,170.18	32.35
Milled Products	KGS	3,555.95	2.42	3,275.70	2.02	4,184.83	2.23	769.02	0.42
Misc Processed Items		-	315.61	-	349.00	-	366.23	-	68.75
Mollases	TON	13.84	1.35	72.85	10.76	4.47	0.20	8.30	0.33
Natural Rubber	TON	426.19	652.57	469.76	829.15	582.35	873.26	66.65	99.03
Niger Seeds	KGS	10,656.00	12.38	5,332.80	4.49	8,664.88	5.80	1,557.25	1.11
Oil Meals	TON	550.43	145.30	485.96	115.83	504.00	125.26	103.37	24.17
Other Cereals	TON	311.37	73.30	265.13	67.27	244.32	67.92	66.34	14.80
Other Meat	TON	0.59	2.84	0.78	4.31	0.88	4.39	0.16	0.75
Other Oil Seeds	TON	116.64	58.55	127.35	56.47	220.48	108.60	59.94	29.72
Poultry Products		-	4.41	-	4.17	-	6.01	-	0.90
Processed Fruits And Juices	KGS	42,993.07	81.73	53,585.04	124.78	59,120.53	129.68	12,198.75	20.60
Processed Meat	TON	0.13	0.67	0.10	0.50	0.12	0.59	0.02	0.10
Processed Vegetables	KGS	13,323.28	17.16	15,335.42	20.92	18,093.79	23.18	4,762.93	5.62
Pulses	TON	6,609.49	4,244.13	5,607.53	2,908.33	2,527.88	1,140.76	418.94	176.66
Rice(Other Than Basmati)	TON	1.14	1.08	2.12	1.89	6.87	4.56	0.77	0.71
Sesame Seeds	KGS	69,028.83	65.88	26,269.59	27.40	87,538.04	124.23	44,687.80	64.22
Sheep/Goat Meat	TON	0.13	1.27	0.22	2.07	0.12	1.55	0.04	0.45
Shellac	KGS	459.61	2.01	466.92	2.85	640.96	2.75	186.95	0.73
Spices	KGS	2,42,293.68	858.95	2,22,325.65	990.70	2,39,901.34	1,132.39	28,433.91	196.37
Sugar	TON	2,146.15	1,021.81	2,402.98	936.52	1,490.61	449.02	77.43	26.22
Tea	KGS	24,893.01	50.45	24,938.77	55.39	28,719.38	59.41	2,859.75	11.23
Tobacco Manufactured		-	34.07	-	28.85	-	36.76	-	4.48
Tobacco Unmanufactured	KGS	1,969.03	11.47	1,542.20	10.78	2,595.83	14.48	141.72	0.41
Vegetable Oils	TON	14,007.39	10,892.75	15,361.02	11,637.48	15,019.30	9,890.32	2,489.63	1,540.35
Wheat	TON	5,749.43	1,268.64	1,649.73	364.50	2.75	0.77	0.50	0.19
TOTAL			25,039.64		24,303.84		20,350.76		3,279.35

Source: DGCI&S

Country-wise Details of Export and Import of Agricultural Commodities (Top 10 Countries)**A. Exports**

Country	Export in Million USD		
	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
U S A	3,648.58	4,643.83	4,581.16
VIETNAM SOC REP	4,327.88	5,280.10	3,703.01
IRAN	880.48	1,321.15	2,283.41
CHINA P RP	1,052.35	1,175.65	2,256.53
U ARAB EMTS	2,127.87	2,182.97	1,907.86
BANGLADESH PR	1,378.91	2,241.42	1,833.88
SAUDI ARAB	1,457.03	1,579.74	1,623.78
MALAYSIA	878.56	910.73	951.67
INDONESIA	733.94	652.87	948.83
NEPAL	837.04	874.83	913.34
OTHER COUNTRIES	15,960.78	17,562.24	17,735.64
Total of Agricultural Exports	33,283.41	38,425.52	38,739.10

B. Imports

Country of Import	Import in Million USD		
	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
INDONESIA	4,808.58	5,745.44	4,067.45
UKRAINE	2,170.27	2,073.38	1,966.64
ARGENTINA	2,353.63	2,120.33	1,785.71
U S A	1,455.69	1,833.87	1,659.40
MALAYSIA	1,987.68	1,643.43	1,643.35
BRAZIL	1,454.45	1,382.66	950.04
SINGAPORE	55.43	57.95	638.18
U ARAB EMTS	362.53	362.53	636.20
VIETNAM SOC REP	382.88	419.10	470.48
COTE D'IVOIRE	393.03	353.82	434.42
OTHER COUNTRIES	9,615.50	8,311.34	6,098.89
Total Import of Agricultural Products	25,039.64	24,303.84	20,350.76