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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 555 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16th SEPTEMBER, 2020

COVID IMPACT ON EXPORTS

555. SHRI D.K.SURESH:

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

- (a) whether it is true that there is a big impact on exports due to complete shutdown in the wake of Covid-19 and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has any estimate on exports from India during the lockdown period and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has made any assessment of the loss on the economy due to fall in major exports of crops; and
- (d) if so, the details of the estimated loss of overall exports including agri-exports in the country?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The month-wise details of India's Exports (merchandise plus services) are given below:

Months	Value of Overall Export (merchandise plus services) (in US\$ million)	% Change over the corresponding month of previous year	
Apr-20	26,721.21	-39.41	
May-20	35,947.65	-25.92	
Jun-20	38,907.34	-10.72	
(Apr-June) 2020	1,01,576.19	-25.42	

Source: DGCI&s, Kolkata (Figures are provisional) and RBI

The latest merchandise exports show a further recovery with export decline reducing to (-) 12.66% in August, 2020.

Exports of major agriculture products for the period April to June 2020 is given below:

Products	2019-20 (April - June)	2020-21 (April -June)	% ahanga	
	Value (Rs. Crores)	Value (Rs. Crores)	% change	
Floriculture & Seeds	444	3,12	-29.7	
Fruits & Vegetables	2,685	2,829	5.4	
Processed Fruits &Vegs	1,918	2,359	23.0	
Livestock products	6,594	3,668	-44.4	
Other Processed Foods	4,842	4,049	-16.4	
Cereals	12,658	15,107	19.3	
Total	29,142	28,324	-2.8	
Source: DGCIS (Provisional Data, Principal Commodities)				
