

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO. 416**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2021**

**EXPORT OF RICE**

\*416. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

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

- (a) whether reduction of import duty on rice by Bangladesh is likely to benefit India;
- (b) if so, the estimated quantity of non-basmati rice to be exported to Bangladesh and the amount of foreign exchange to be earned;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to take steps to boost export of non-basmati rice to other countries;
- (d) the details of total export of non-basmati rice from the country during the last three years along with the names of countries to which these exports were made; and
- (e) whether the Government has formulated any guidelines/rules to regulate export of basmati and non-basmati rice from the country and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to ( e) OF LOK SABHA**  
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**REGARDING “EXPORT OF RICE”.**

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Reduction of import duty on rice by Bangladesh is likely to result in higher imports of rice by that country which may result in higher exports of rice from India to Bangladesh. During the current financial year (April, 2020 – January, 2021), India’s export of non-basmati rice to Bangladesh has increased to 1.47 lakh MT, as compared to 0.12 lakh MT during the corresponding period of 2019-20. However, as exports are affected by several factors such as demand, supply and relative prices, both domestic and international prevailing, an estimate of the quantity of export of non-basmati rice to Bangladesh and amount of foreign exchange to be earned, potentially, is difficult to make.

(c): The promotion of exports of agricultural commodities like non-basmati rice is an ongoing process. The Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), an autonomous organisation under the administrative control of the Department of Commerce, has the mandate to promote exports of non-basmati rice. APEDA provides assistance to the exporters of non-basmati rice under various component of its scheme “Agriculture & Processed Food Export Promotion Scheme of APEDA” viz. Infrastructure Development, Quality Development and Market Development. An Export Promotion Forum (EPF) has also been established under the aegis of APEDA to promote exports of basmati as well as non-basmati rice. Assistance is also provided to exporters / State Governments under various other schemes of Department of Commerce viz. Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES), Market Access Initiative (MAI) Scheme, etc.

(d): The details of total export of non-basmati rice from the country during the last three years and the current financial year (Apr-Jan), along with the names of countries to which these exports were made, are at **Annexure-I**.

(e): Basmati rice is a notified commodity under the Export (Quality Control and Inspection) Act, 1963, and is subject to quality control and inspection prior to export in accordance with Export of Basmati Rice (Quality Control and Inspection) Rules, 2003 and related orders issued from time to time. Registration of contracts with APEDA, prior to shipment, is also mandatory for export of Basmati rice.

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## Annexure-I

EXPORT OF NON-BASMATI RICE								
Qty in '000 MT; Value in USD million								
COUNTRY	2017-18		2018-19		2019-20		2020-21 (Apr-Jan)	
	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
BENIN	778.78	314.19	699.01	264.16	535.25	195.90	987.76	353.44
NEPAL	624.86	240.40	768.97	281.15	681.17	245.30	1034.60	319.64
TOGO	123.60	47.98	252.38	93.18	302.83	107.90	710.03	257.56
COTE D' IVOIRE	398.49	148.95	438.09	163.17	293.89	107.70	549.51	196.97
GUINEA	461.98	173.81	467.69	175.93	327.42	120.41	519.36	191.09
SENEGAL	833.06	263.22	720.48	220.83	217.77	67.49	615.28	183.78
MALAYSIA	9.15	6.09	30.33	13.77	73.34	28.62	353.63	135.59
U ARAB EMTS	273.77	149.21	291.58	147.69	249.53	130.92	239.34	118.85
SOMALIA	328.26	125.38	326.92	120.89	346.06	122.95	342.31	117.03
MADAGASCAR	184.28	65.16	148.73	48.96	10.95	3.69	366.76	111.34
IRAQ	77.33	50.20	61.24	36.53	87.96	50.33	217.34	108.81
LIBERIA	264.15	100.20	301.11	116.97	219.85	79.94	285.28	105.45
DJIBOUTI	220.02	80.19	267.18	90.70	192.79	69.04	288.88	96.58
SAUDI ARAB	129.33	73.38	184.80	98.29	115.28	62.08	163.41	88.11
SOUTH AFRICA	142.72	55.08	149.88	54.35	149.64	51.90	218.19	76.88
BANGLADESH PR	2037.98	835.39	529.94	219.35	13.08	12.12	147.29	63.85
MOZAMBIQUE	2.07	0.80	10.97	3.90	12.81	4.51	161.30	55.04
RUSSIA	53.93	22.33	71.67	28.16	91.64	35.03	118.99	45.17
CAMEROON	47.14	19.02	7.54	2.37	9.64	3.49	125.11	44.43
KENYA	10.69	5.28	31.35	12.18	7.54	3.41	120.85	43.31
U S A	40.49	33.28	42.77	34.49	39.26	31.36	52.94	41.44
SINGAPORE	66.50	35.74	66.16	32.86	81.93	41.01	94.26	40.55
ALGERIA	28.38	11.64	56.56	22.43	50.29	18.66	105.07	39.44
QATAR	97.44	54.05	101.72	53.25	86.98	45.54	77.17	39.11
VIETNAM SOC REP	0.93	2.45	0.88	2.18	0.39	0.78	115.50	35.44
OMAN	64.07	34.88	76.83	38.41	54.34	28.69	68.22	34.69
YEMEN REPubLC	84.78	52.00	75.71	45.42	42.19	24.76	60.35	33.27
ANGOLA	17.09	6.42	33.57	13.12	33.21	13.62	79.11	29.45
PHILIPPINES	6.67	15.62	106.67	57.79	7.13	16.98	23.11	27.47
CHINA P RP	0.09	0.05	0.97	0.97	1.57	0.78	87.45	26.93
ETHIOPIA	58.74	21.52	87.51	31.21	67.15	24.30	76.01	25.38
SIERRA LEONE	46.32	17.63	48.17	17.70	33.65	12.48	71.51	25.10
GHANA	77.44	30.37	68.83	26.94	55.46	21.22	67.96	24.81
BURKINA FASO	20.05	7.70	47.51	17.33	36.28	12.66	64.33	22.89
NIGER	101.44	39.94	76.19	27.23	21.67	7.49	54.65	19.22
KUWAIT	36.93	22.29	45.05	25.48	36.13	20.02	35.18	19.16
TURKEY	92.89	41.39	45.27	21.52	23.93	13.36	38.61	18.40
BHUTAN	4.42	1.75	2.35	0.88	37.23	12.90	43.81	17.80
CONGO P REP	2.32	0.99	2.85	1.12	5.84	2.12	43.34	15.80
GAMBIA	26.53	9.05	59.57	20.14	11.07	4.12	44.60	13.76
SUDAN	58.86	23.74	56.46	21.86	74.22	27.80	32.63	12.50
TIMOR-LESTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	36.57	12.40
BRAZIL	0.10	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	39.87	11.24
BAHARAIN IS	19.74	11.27	18.97	10.34	13.39	7.48	17.14	9.25
AUSTRALIA	6.82	5.49	11.81	6.86	15.93	8.92	15.18	9.09
CONGO D. REP.	0.14	0.06	2.53	0.92	2.14	0.73	25.70	8.82
MALDIVES	21.62	9.05	27.71	11.58	27.23	11.48	20.02	8.60
TANZANIA REP	2.43	1.04	1.24	0.56	1.46	0.78	23.65	8.49
U K	9.12	7.60	12.54	9.12	9.32	6.56	12.43	8.38
VENEZUELA	0.12	0.05	0.00	0.00	18.10	8.05	20.28	8.18
OTHER COUNTRIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8818.53</b>	<b>3636.60</b>	<b>7648.00</b>	<b>3038.16</b>	<b>5056.28</b>	<b>2031.25</b>	<b>9462.83</b>	<b>3505.74</b>

Source: DGI&amp;S

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