

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4772
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24th MARCH, 2021

EXPORT OF ONIONS

4772. DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any policy in regard to export of onions;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the likely impact of this policy on the price of onions in the country; and
- (d) the benefits likely to accrue to farmers therefor?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a) to (d): The government takes necessary steps from time to time, including with regards to export and import of onions, to ensure availability of onions to domestic consumers at an affordable price. These steps have helped in stabilising onion prices and addressing excessive fluctuation in them. The prices of onions in the country are monitored on a regular basis and timely efforts are undertaken towards this end. In this regard, for 2021-22, the Price Stabilization fund (PSF) for onion, buffer target of 2 LMT has been approved. The buffer would be built by procuring Rabi-2021 onion arriving from March, 2021 onwards.
