

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1393
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28th JULY, 2021

EXPORT OF MARINE PRODUCTS

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

- (a) the view of the Government regarding the export of marine products from the country during Covid-19 Pandemic; and
- (b) the details of the impact of Covid-19 on marine exports from January, 2020 to January, 2021, month-wise?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती अनुप्रिया पटेल)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a): To mitigate the effects of the pandemic, Government has taken various steps such as digitization of export facilitation certificates, establishing of two new quality control laboratories at Porbandar and Bhubaneswar, introduction of an online platform (E-SANTA) to connect aqua farmers with exporters, developing Covid-19 Standard Operating Procedure for the entire seafood chain, assistance to farmers and processors in logistic clearances, facilitation of cargo clearances abroad etc. In addition Government has allotted Rs.159.96 Crore during the financial year 2020-2021 & 2021-2022 for export promotion, aquaculture development, value addition and quality control activities. These steps have helped the marine sector in a positive manner and the sector witnessed a significant revival in the year 2021. Details of export data during 2021 compared to same period in 2020 is given in the table below:-

Export Performance Value: (In Million US Dollars)			
Month	2020	2021	Growth %
January	427.41	412.67	-3.45
February	441.52	447.63	1.38
March	368.27	569.28	54.58
April	283.42	437.87	54.60
May	430.57	533.00	23.79
June	491.63	591.34	20.28

- (b) The details of the impact of Covid-19 on marine products export from January 2020 to January 2021, month-wise is given in the table below.

	2019	2020
January	429.75	427.41
February	421.78	441.52
March	507.25	368.27
April	490.14	283.42
May	525.54	430.57
June	521.74	491.63
July	605.33	467.53
August	609.93	452.47
September	644.86	624.26
October	729.42	680.01
November	689.65	556.96
December	624.88	549.85
Total	6800.28	5773.90

	2020	2021
January	427.41	412.67
