

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
LOKSABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2227
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 15TH MARCH, 2022

PRODUCTION OF ONIONS

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SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the total quantity of onions produced in the country for the past three years and for the current year;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to ban export of onions permanently since the demand is higher than supply in the country;
- (c) whether the amendment to Essential Commodities Act, 1955 by imposing stock limit will affect onion producing farmers; and
- (d) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to augment the income of the farmers who can stock their produce to get better price in future?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a) The quantity of Onions produced in the country, during 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21 (Third Advance Estimates) is as under: -

Onion Production in the country			
(in Lakh Tonne)			
2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 (3 rd Advance Estimates)
232.62	228.19	260.91	268.30

- (b) According to Department of Consumer Affairs (DoCA) and Department of Commerce, there has been no proposal for permanent ban on export of Onions.

(c) & (d) Does not arise, as at present no stock limit has been imposed on Onion under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955.
