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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2343 (H) TO BE ANSWERED ON 16th MARCH, 2022

EXPORT OF FRESH FRUITS

2343(H). SHRI SHANKAR LALWANI: DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL: SHRI RODMAL NAGAR:

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

- (a) whether there has been a significant increase in the export of fresh fruits from India;
- (b) if so, the details of the exports of guava and grapes during the last five years; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to increase the export of curd and cheese?

ANSWER

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

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

(a): Yes, Sir. The export of fresh fruits from India has increased from USD 516.26 million in 2014-15 to USD 768.54 million in 2020-21.

(b): Details of India's exports of guava and grapes during the last five years are as under:

Quantity in MT; Value in USD million

	Guava		Grapes	
Year	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
2016-17	1,408.16	0.91	1,98,471.30	267.04
2017-18	1,229.77	0.86	2,05,039.41	303.71
2018-19	978.69	0.67	2,53,619.00	335.11
2019-20	1,697.14	0.73	1,96,376.51	303.46
2020-21	2,886.37	1.27	2,47,187.05	314.11

Source: DGCI&S

(c): Promotion of exports of agriculture products, including dairy products like curd and cheese, is a continuous process. To promote the export of dairy products, an Export Promotion Forum (EPF) has been constituted under the aegis of Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA). The EPF has representation from trade/industry, line Ministries/Departments, regulatory agencies, research institutes, state governments etc. Meetings of the EPF are held regularly to discuss the various issues affecting exports, such as SPS/ TBT issues, market access issues, plans for export promotion and capacity building programmes etc. Recommendations made by the EPFs are passed on to the relevant authorities for appropriate action.

Mathura and Banaskantha districts in Uttar Pradesh and Gujarat respectively have been identified as clusters for export of dairy products. APEDA has organized awareness cum capacity-building programmes for farmers/Farmer-Producer Organisations (FPOs) in these clusters. APEDA also provides assistance to exporters of dairy products under various components of its export promotion scheme.
