

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2893**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 3<sup>rd</sup> AUGUST, 2022**

**TEA PRODUCTION IN ASSAM**

2893. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

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

- (a) the average annual production of tea in Assam during the last five years;
- (b) the quantum of Assam Tea exported to foreign countries during the last five years;
- (c) the details of revenue earned by the Government of India through Assam Tea during the said period;
- (d) whether despite being in high demand at international level, a large area of Assam tea production is being cleared in the name of setting up industries; and
- (e) if so, the reasons and justification for the said action?

**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) : The annual production of tea in Assam during last five years is given in the table below:

Year	Assam Production (M. Kg)
2017-18	676.31
2018-19	701.35
2019-20	695.38
2020-21	626.23
2021-22	672.14

*Source: Tea Board. Kolkata*

(b) & (c) : Tea Board collects exports data from exporters as per the Tea (Distribution & Export) Control Order. Tea exports data based on port of shipment is captured and figures for tea exports from the ICD, Amingaon in Assam and all India figures of exports of tea during last 05 years is provided below:-

Year	Exports from ICD, Amingaon		All India Exports	
	Qty (in M.Kgs)	Value (in Rs. Cr)	Qty (in M.Kgs)	Value (in Rs. Cr)
2017-18	22.03	459.91	256.57	5064.88
2018-19	17.24	394.69	254.50	5506.84
2019-20	10.46	251.41	241.34	5457.10
2020-21	8.71	266.67	203.79	5311.53
2021-22	8.30	265.44	200.79	5415.78

*Source: Tea Board, Kolkata*

The total tea exports in value terms range in -between Rs. 5311.53 Crore to Rs. 5506.84 Crore during last five years. However, the quantum of tea exported and the revenues earned from sale in export markets by single origin tea like Assam is not possible to quantify because this variety is blended by the exporters with other single origin teas for catering to the different buyers across the tea importing countries as per their requirements.

(d) & (e): As per information received from Government of Assam, no reports of cleaning tea garden areas having tea bushes have been received.

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