

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3505
ANSWERED ON 17/12/2024

PRODUCTION, CONSUMER AND EXPORT OF SPICE

3505. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:
SHRI VIVEK THAKUR:

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

- (a) whether India is the largest producer, consumer and exporter of spices in the world and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the total production of spices in the country during the current fiscal year, quantity-wise;
- (c) the total quantity of spices exported during the current fiscal year and the revenue earned from it;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to encourage more and more farmers in the cultivation of spices in the country to increase the income of farmers;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and steps taken in this regard;
- (f) the other measures taken/being taken by the Government to increase spices production in the country; and
- (g) whether the Government is implementing any scheme to promote production and export of spices in Bihar and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (c) India is the leading producer, consumer and exporter of spices in the world. The total production of spices in India during 2023-24 stood at 1,18,01,737 MT. India exported 15,39,692 tonnes of spices and spice products valued at Rs 36,958.80 crore (4,464.17 million US\$) in 2023-24.

(d) to (f) Several development programmes are being implemented through the various flagship programs of Government of India like the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY), Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY), Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), Natural Resource Management (NRM), Soil Health Card, and e-National Agriculture Market to promote spices production in the country.

Spices Board, through its scheme “Sustainability in spice sector through progressive, innovative and collaborative interventions for export development”, is implementing various programs for improving the production and productivity of cardamom which include providing assistance for replanting, quality planting material production, development of water sources & micro-irrigation facilities and weather-based crop insurance.

(g) The programmes mentioned at points (d) to (f) above are also available for development and promotion of spices production in Bihar. Spices Board, under its scheme, undertakes various activities for export promotion of Spices from India which inter alia include market development and branding of Indian spices, technological and infrastructural interventions for processing of spices and participation in international fairs and events. The activities carried out by the Spices Board under its scheme are also available to stakeholders and exporters from Bihar.
