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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 292 ANSWERED ON 04/02/2025

MSP FOR RUBBER FARMERS

292. SHRI K RADHAKRISHNAN:

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

(a) the details of quantity of natural and compound rubber was imported by the country during each year since 2019;

(b) the details of maximum import duty applicable to Association of South-east Asian Nations (ASEAN) countries and the amount of natural and compound rubber imported from ASEAN countries since 2019;

(c) which are the other countries from where India imported rubber in this period, countrywise quantity in each year; and

(d) whether the Government will announce Minimum Support Price (MSP) for rubber in light of the difficulties faced by the rubber farmers, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जितिन प्रसाद) THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) The details of year-wise quantity of natural rubber (HS 4001) and compounded rubber (HS 4005) imported by the country since the year 2019-20 are attached as Annexure-I.

(b) The import duty applicable to ASEAN countries for import of natural rubber and compounded rubber is attached as Annexure-II. The details of import of natural rubber and compounded rubber from ASEAN countries since 2019-20 are attached as Annexure-III.

(c) The details of country-wise import of natural rubber since the year 2019-20 are attached as Annexure-IV.

(d) Government of India presently fixes Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for 22 mandated agricultural crops on the basis of the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs & prices (CACP) after Considering the views of State Governments and Central Ministries/Departments concerned and other relevant factors. The mandated crops for MSP are paddy, jowar, bajra, maize, ragi, tur(arhar), moong, urad, groundnut, sunflower seed, soyabean, sesamum, nigerseed, cotton, wheat, barley, gram, lentil(masur), rapeseed/mustard, safflower, jute and copra.

Annexure referred to in reply to Part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 292 for answer on 04.02.2025.

Import of Natural Rubber and Compounded Rubber (Quantity in tonne)						
Year	Natural Rubber Compounded Rubb					
2019-20	457223	101703				
2020-21	410478	95566				
2021-22	546369	114638				
2022-23	528677	137018				
2023-24	492682	169820				
2024-25 (Apr-Nov)	427265	145655				

(Source: Rubber Board)

Annexure referred to in reply to Part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 292 for answer on 04.02.2025.

Natural Rubber	Applicable import duty
HS 400110	70%
HS 400121	
HS 400122	25% or Rs. 30 per kg whichever is less
HS 400129	
HS 400130	0%
Compounded Rubber	Applicable import duty
HS 400510	0%
HS 400520	
HS 400591	5%
HS 400599	

Annexure referred to in reply to Part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 292 for answer on 04.02.2025.

Import of natural and compounded rubber from ASEAN Countries (Quantity in MT)							
HS Code	FY 2019- 20	FY 2020- 21	FY 2021- 22	FY 2022- 23	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25 (Apr-Nov) provisional	
Natural Rubber							
HS 400110	7776	3443	10480	5294	11583	5978	
HS 400121	61497	47006	48720	42292	31609	44435	
HS 400122	344120	298081	379340	331493	335205	252707	
HS 400129	4980	3158	2739	3646	4518	2378	
HS 400130	0.01	0.02	2447	0.36	0.29	0.14	
Compounded Rubber							
HS 400510	50908	50934	61047	74290	113684	107823	
HS 400520	182	278	355	286	429	309	
HS 400591	339	406	137	695	219	137	
HS 400599	735	403	647	580	486	563	

(Source: Rubber Board)

Country wise import of natural rubber (Quantity in tonne)						
Country	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25 (Apr-Nov)
	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	(Apr-100)
ASEAN Countries	418373	351688	443725	382725	382915	305498
Sri Lanka	1201	307	114	1023	234	769
Côte d'Ivoire	27056	46226	75081	121046	90374	104310
Bangladesh	5558	1663	3544	1437	2725	2107
Nigeria	907	424	1654	3895	1036	3662
Gabon	0	340	0	2029	0	113
Ghana	2923	8691	20507	14818	5674	1969
Cameroon	0	202	40	121	2075	1814
Liberia	0	0	0	221	1714	3929
Other Countries	1205	937	1704	1362	5935	3094
Total	457223	410478	546369	528677	492682	427265

Annexure referred to in reply to Part (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 292 for answer on 04.02.2025.

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