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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1577**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2025

**PRODUCTION AND PRICING OF EDIBLE OILS AND OILSEEDS**

1577. Shri Sanjay Uttamrao Deshmukh:  
Shri Bajrang Manohar Sonwane:  
Shri Sanjay Haribhau Jadhav:

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

- (a) whether domestic prices of edible oils especially soybean, are declining during the last three years and if so, the oil-wise/year-wise details thereof;
- (b) the positive steps taken by the Government to increase the income of soybean farmers and for upliftment of the said farmers;
- (c) whether the Government has any data regarding the production of oil seeds/soybean in the country during the last three years and if so, the details thereof especially in Maharashtra during the last year and if so, the details thereof especially that of Maharashtra; during the last three years;
- (d) the details of customs duty on crude/refined palm oil, soybean, sunflower and other seed oils;
- (e) the details of import and export of oil seeds/oils during the last three years, country/oil seed/oil/value-wise, along with the current Minimum Export Price (MEP) for crued/refind edible oils;
- (f) whether the Government has amended the Minimum Export Price for edible oils; and if so, the details of its impact on farmers especially in Maharashtra; and
- (g) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the losses suffered by soybean farmers in Maharashtra and across the country, if so, the district-wise number of affected farmers and the details of the losses thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a): As per information received from Directorate of Sugar and Vegetable Oils, Department of Food and Public Distribution, the oil-wise/year-wise prices of edible oils during last three years are as below:

<b>Retail Prices (Rs./ Ltr)</b>				
<b>Oil</b>	<b>2 Dec., 2025</b>	<b>2 Dec, 2024</b>	<b>2 Dec, 2023</b>	<b>2 Dec, 2022</b>
Groundnut Oil	171.13	177.37	176.22	172.18
Mustard Oil	169.6	153.97	125.67	155.28
Vanaspati	142.44	131.68	114.55	131.1
Soybean Oil	133.53	130.52	111.88	140.91
Sunflower Oil	149.91	138.55	112.69	152.8
RBD Palmolein	120.82	120.05	90.78	106.32
<b>Wholesale Prices (Rs./ Ltr)</b>				
Groundnut Oil	161.56	166.38	164.40	162.63
Mustard Oil	160.47	145	117.62	147.69
Vanaspati	131.61	122.71	103.31	120.17
Soybean Oil	125.17	121.93	103.52	131.70
Sunflower Oil	142.79	130.72	104.88	144.75
RBD Palmolein	113.42	113.7	84.10	97.99
<b>International Prices (USD/MT)</b>				
Crude Soybean Oil/ MT	1140	1050	1003	1238
Crude Sunflower Oil/ MT	1250	1160	915	1260
Crude Palm Oil/ MT	1040	1275	865	960
RBD Palmolein/ MT	1010	1245	845	992

(b) & (c): The Government approved the National Mission on Edible Oils – Oilseeds (NMEO-OS) on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2024 to boost domestic oilseed production and to strive toward self-sufficiency in edible oils. The mission objectives include production of soybean and increasing collection & extraction efficiency. The mission is being implemented in a cluster-based approach with market linkage. Details of production of oil seeds/soybean in the country and Maharashtra during the last three years are as under:

(Qty in lakh qtls)

<b>Year</b>	<b>Maharashtra</b>		<b>All India</b>	
	<b>Soybean</b>	<b>Total oilseeds</b>	<b>Soybean</b>	<b>Total oilseeds</b>
2022-23	66.16	69.38	149.85	413.55
2023-24	52.58	55.94	130.62	396.69
2024-25	73.70	77.93	152.68	429.89

(d): The details of customs duty on Crude/ Refined Palm Oil, Soybean, Sunflower and other oilseeds are as under:

<b>Edible Oils</b>	<b>Export Duty</b>	<b>Import Duty</b>
Palm Oil- Crude	0%	16.50%
Palm Oil- Refined	0%	35.75%
Soya Oil- Crude	0%	16.50%
Soya Oil- Refined	0%	35.75%
Sunflower Oil- Crude	0%	16.50%
Sunflower Oil- Refined	0%	35.75%
Mustard/ Rapeseed Oil-	0%	38.50%

Crude		
Mustard/ Rapeseed Oil- Refined	0%	49.50%
Groundnut Oil- Crude	0%	38.50%
Groundnut Oil - Refined	0%	49.50%

(e) & (f): As per the Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics (DGCI&S), Kolkata, Ministry of Commerce, details of import & export of major oilseed/ oils during the last 3 years, country/ oilseed/oil/ value wise is enclosed at annexure-I.

Currently, Minimum Export Price (MEP) exists only for Mustard/ Rapeseed Oil which is USD 900/MT with condition of export of mustard oil in branded consumer packs of upto 5-KG. It was imposed on 06.04.2018 and since then no amendment has been made.

(g): Relief for crop losses due to natural disaster are provided by State/ Union Territories Government as per provisions of State Disaster Relief Fund (SDRF). Additionally, claims are also worked based on the shortfall in actual yield submitted by the state Government concerned on National Crop Insurance Portal (NCIP) vis-a-vis threshold yield as per the formula in the Operational Guidelines of the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY). Thus, the claims are dependent mainly on the percentage loss in yield due to natural calamities. However, losses due to localized risks of hailstorm, landslide, inundation, cloudburst & natural fire and post-harvest losses due to cyclone, cyclonic/unseasonal rains & hailstorms are calculated on individual insured farm basis. The extent of loss and claims in such case are assessed by a joint committee comprising representatives of State Government and concerned insured company within stipulated time frame under the operation guidelines of the PMFBY.

**Annexure-I**

Details of import & export of major oilseed/ oils during the last 3 years, country/ oilseed/oil/ value wise:

(Value in Rs Crore)

**1. Soybean Oil:**

Soybean oil – Crude - Export			
Country of Destination	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Oman	0.00	3.08	2.87
UAE	0.00	0.39	2.13
Nepal	0.00	0.00	0.19
Others	0.55	0.85	0.03
Total Value	0.55	4.31	5.22
Soybean oil – Crude - Import			
Country of Origin	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Argentina	20414.65	11015.91	22240.50
Brazil	19245.14	8470.92	6539.72
Switzerland	1634.48	1604.79	2737.27
Others	5201.66	6138.15	7933.66
Total Value	46495.93	27229.77	39451.15
Soybean oil - Refined - Export			
Country of Destination	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Bhutan	127.87	100.98	132.05
Malaysia	0.00	10.39	25.69
UAE	7.38	10.00	24.92
Others	98.25	42.43	26.17
Total Value	233.49	163.80	208.83
Soybean Oil - Refined - Import			
Country of Origin	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Nepal	750.94	56.47	3312.59
Bangladesh	0.84	0.00	15.89
Norway	0.00	0.00	0.27
Others	2.41	0.24	0.33
Total Value	754.19	56.71	3329.09

**2. Palm Oil:**

Palm Oil - Crude - Export			
Country of Destination	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Malaysia	0.00	16.44	0.00
Nigeria	0.00	0.03	0.00
Total	0.00	16.47	0.00
Palm Oil - Crude - Import			
Country of Origin	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Indonesia	28334.11	23553.01	21017.87

Malaysia	24956.83	17850.30	20202.19
Thailand	11195.36	4281.23	5670.01
Others	7126.24	5956.92	7070.80
Total Value	71612.54	51641.46	53960.87
Palm Oil - Refined - Export			
Country of Destination	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Nepal	12.84	6.84	12.67
Germany	4.41	3.40	5.95
Bhutan	4.42	3.73	5.21
Others	7.89	8.62	5.73
Total Value	29.56	22.59	29.56
Palm Oil - Refined - Import			
Country of Origin	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Indonesia	17107.86	13466.43	13478.73
Malaysia	2701.07	1625.61	1895.23
Singapore	331.47	774.48	605.06
Others	1343.57	638.14	258.07
Total Value	21483.98	16504.65	16237.09

### 3. Sunflower:

Sunflower Oil Crude- Export			
Country of Destination	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Nepal	0.00	0.00	0.99
UAE	0.06	0.10	0.31
Malaysia	0.00	0.00	0.13
Others	0.46	0.64	0.18
Total Value	0.52	0.74	1.61
Sunflower Oil Crude- Import			
Country of Origin	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Russia	7201.39	9185.23	17593.43
Ukraine	4947.47	3752.87	7043.37
Argentina	5919.74	4841.19	2663.71
Others	7117.79	8539.52	3687.01
Total Value	25186.39	26318.81	30987.52
Sunflower Oil Refined - Export			
Country of Destination	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
UAE	8.97	96.66	138.69
Malaysia	3.97	13.99	43.08
Sri Lanka	3.77	8.20	19.56
Others	89.94	74.91	105.62
Total Value	106.65	193.77	306.95
Sunflower Oil Refined - Import			
Country of Origin	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Nepal	56.20	20.47	451.38

Spain	1.24	4.69	7.05
Ukraine	0.40	1.02	4.77
Others	5.99	5.33	5.34
Total Value	63.83	31.50	468.54

#### 4. Groundnut:

Groundnut Oil Crude - Export			
Country of Destination	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
China	1870.76	1774.48	2961.66
Vietnam	0.06	20.92	24.85
USA	0.24	0.98	13.05
Others	1.65	2.68	15.28
Total Value	1872.71	1799.07	3014.84
Groundnut Oil Crude - Import			
Country of Origin	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
China	0.00	3.73	0.00
Total Value	0.00	3.73	0.00
Groundnut Oil Refined - Export			
Country of Destination	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
USA	11.49	29.07	23.88
Vietnam	6.49	11.54	17.10
UAE	4.26	8.78	5.96
Others	57.08	22.09	30.29
Total Value	79.32	71.48	77.22
Groundnut Oil Refined - Import			
Country of Origin	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Germany	0.94	0.47	0.43
Canada	0.00	0.05	0.00
Total Value	0.94	0.52	0.43

#### 5. Colza /Rapeseed & Mustard:

Colza/ Mustard /other-Rapeseed Crude Oils- Export			
Country of Destination	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
USA	27.56	25.68	37.77
Canada	14.11	27.36	33.93
UAE	18.00	24.03	21.04
Others	45.47	53.80	61.82
Total Value	105.13	130.88	154.55
Colza/ Mustard /other-Rapeseed Crude Oils - Import			
Country of Origin	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Nepal	0.00	0.00	18.98
UAE	0.07	0.00	6.60
Singapore	0.12	0.00	0.13
Others	0.30	0.28	0.01

Total Value	0.50	0.28	25.72
Colza/ Mustard /other-Rapeseed Refined Oils- Export			
Country of Destination	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
USA	21.16	10.34	8.38
Canada	1.41	2.08	6.66
Australia	3.23	3.87	5.44
Others	35.00	38.76	23.31
Total Value	60.79	55.05	43.79
Colza/ Mustard /other-Rapeseed Refined Oils- Import			
Country of Origin	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Spain	0.00	0.00	0.50
UAE	0.00	0.44	0.20
Germany	0.06	0.82	0.17
Others	0.04	0.00	0.05
Total Value	0.10	1.26	0.93

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