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INCOME STRESS AMONGST COFFEE GROWERS IN KARNATAKA

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

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the structural causes of income stress among coffee growers in Karnataka, particularly in Kodagu, including price volatility, rising input costs and climate shocks, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of Coffee Board interventions implemented in Kodagu during the last three years for price support, replantation, climate-resilient varieties, export facilitation and income diversification; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes a region-specific stabilisation or income-protection framework for small and marginal coffee growers in ecologically fragile regions, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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(a) to (c) During the period April to December 2025-26, the average farmgate prices of Arabica un-cured dry processed cherry coffee in Kodagu increased by 65.4% and the average farmgate prices of Robusta un-cured dry processed cherry coffee in Kodagu increased by 29.5% compared to prices in the same period of 2024-25. During the period April to December 2025-26, the all India average farmgate prices of Arabica un-cured dry processed cherry coffee increased by 58.6% and the all India average farmgate prices of Robusta un-cured dry processed cherry coffee increased by 15.2% compared to prices in the same period of 2024-25.

Further, Coffee Production in our country has consistently increased during the period from 2021-22 to 2024-25 with a Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 2.05%. Coffee exports from India have grown during the same period with a CAGR of 20%, with Indian Coffee being exported to more than 125 countries.

Coffee Board has undertaken various measures in reference to climate change which inter alia include development of climate-resilient high-yielding, disease & pest resistant coffee varieties, standardization of agro-technologies, supply of improved

planting material, integrated nutrient, pest & disease management practices and improvement of post-harvest processing methods.

Coffee Board, through its scheme 'Integrated Coffee Development Project (ICDP)', undertakes various activities for the benefit of coffee sector of the country, including for beneficiaries of Kodagu region, which inter alia include replantation of old/senile plants; development of improved plant varieties with higher yield; support for value-addition; participation in international trade fairs/events; buyer-seller meets; incentives for export of high value and value added coffee; capacity building programmes; entrepreneurship development programs; organization of coffee tasting sessions and training programmes on barista skills.

The activities undertaken by Coffee Board in Kodagu region under the ICDP scheme during the last three years (2022-23 to 2024-25) are mentioned below:

| S.No | Activities undertaken | Financial assistance (₹ in Lakhs) |
|-------------|------------------------------|--|
| 1 | Replantation | 180.53 |
| 2 | Water augmentation | 1775.40 |
| 3 | Quality upgradation | 767.25 |

Source: Coffee Board
