

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2327
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14TH DECEMBER, 2015

ARAKU COFFEE PROJECT

2327. SHRIMATI KOTHAPALLI GEETHA:

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

- whether the Government has implemented a coffee project in Araku valley in Visakhapatnam district of Andhra Pradesh;
- if so, the details thereof along with the progress made therein; and
- the details of the concessions given to the State for coffee projects in Araku?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)(स्वतंत्र प्रभार)
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

ANSWER

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(a) & (b): The Coffee Board has taken up activities for Coffee development in four divisions/zones viz. Minumuluru, Chintapalli (East & West) and Araku valley in Agency areas of Vishakhapatnam District of Andhra Pradesh from 1997-98 onwards. The details are as under.

Component	Achievements
Expansion (Area in Ha.)	32914
Consolidation (Area in Ha.)	3493.
Baby Pulper (Units)	32
Drying Yards (Units)	78
Mini Hullers (Units)	

Raising mix shade saplings (Nos)	6223
Community Godown (Nos.)	
Community Pulper Units	
Mini Cof Curing Works	

(c): The Coffee Board reimburses the subsidy amount as per the approved scales to the Nodal Agency i.e. Integrated Tribal Development Agency (ITDA), Government of Andhra Pradesh for implementation of various sub components of the plan scheme viz. expansion , consolidation, procurement of baby pulpers etc.

During the XIIth plan, support is extended by the coffee Board in Andhra Pradesh for various activities in the coffee sector, which include, inter alia, expansion /consolidation @ 25% of the unit cost, procurement of baby pulpers for quality improvement@ 50% of the unit cost, raising of mixed shade tree saplings @ Rs. 5/- per seedling, marketing of clean coffee @ Rs. 10/- per kg and eco certification @ 75% towards certification cost. The Board also extends support to individual growers for construction of drying yard @ 50% of the unit cost and purchase of farm machineries @ 75% of the unit cost.
