

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

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 213
TO BE ANSWERED ON 1st AUGUST, 2016

IMPORT OF COCONUT

***213. SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:**

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

- (a) the salient features of the Import policy of the Government for coconut and allied products;
- (b) whether the Government has imported coconut and allied products in the country during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) if so, the details of import, country/ quantity and value-wise and the licenses issued in this regard; and
- (d) whether the said imports have been effected under any Free Trade Agreement and if so, the details thereof?

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)

a) to d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA
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(a) Import policy for coconut and its allied products is indicated in the table below.

Sl.No	description	ITC(HS)	Import Policy
1	Coconut (desiccated)	0801110	Free
2	Coconut in the inner shell	080112	Free
3	Coconut (other)	080119	Free
4	Coconut Oil (crude)	151311	Through STC
5	Coconut Oil (others)	151319	Through STC
6	Coconut oil cake	230650	Free
7	Coconut Shell	44029010	Free
8	Coconut Shell (unworked)	14049060	Free

(b) & (c): The quantity and value wise import of coconut and its allied products during the last three years and current year is given in **Annex-I** and country wise import is at **Annex-II**. Since five items are freely importable as per the above table, no license is required for their import. Further, two items namely, coconut oil and its oil cake are cannalised through State Trading Corporation(STC).

(d) India has FTAs with its South Asian neighbours (SAFTA) and with ASEAN countries (India-ASEAN FTA). From Annex-II, it can be seen that import is taking place only from Sri Lanka within South Asia. Within ASEAN, import is mostly taking place from Indonesia, the Philippines and Vietnam. The Negative List under SAFTA covers coconut items namely, desiccated coconut (HS: 080111) and other-in shell coconut (HS:080119), Coconut Oil(crude) HS:15131100, wood charcoal of coconut shell HS:440290 and hence, Sri Lanka does not enjoy tariff concession on these items/lines.

Under India-ASEAN FTA, India's Exclusion List covers most coconut and their related items namely, Coconut (Fresh, dried whether shelled or peeled- HS:080111, 080112, 080119 , Coconut oil (HS:1513) and Oil Cake (HS:230650).

Quantity & Value wise import of Coconut during last three years & current year									
(Values In Million US\$)									
	ITC(HS) Code	2013-14		2014-15		2015-16		2016-17	
		QTY(TON)	VAL	QTY(TON)	VAL	QTY(TON)	VAL	QTY(TON)	VAL
Coconut	080111	12.50	0.02	246.07	0.60	65.50	0.10	nil	nil
	080112	30.00	0.02	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
	080119	2.04	0.01	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Coconut Total		44.54	0.04	246.07	0.60	65.50	0.10	nil	nil
Coconut Oil	151311	nil	nil	6205.34	7.91	2415.00	2.86	nil	nil
	151319	1645.57	1.50	3467.91	5.07	2759.81	3.50	nil	nil
Coconut Oil Total		1645.57	1.50	9673.25	12.98	5174.81	6.35	nil	nil
Coconut Oil Cake	230650	25797.79	6.32	88322.25	22.39	157726.94	37.03	20173.46	4.37
Coconut Shell	44029010	10378	3.92	14877	6.68	13888	6.82	325	0.14
Coconut Shell(Unworked)	14049060	0.02	0.0003	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Note: Figures for 2015-16 and 2016-17 (Apr to May) is provisional.									

Country wise import of Coconut

(Values In Million US\$)

ITEM	COUNTRY	2013-14		2014-15		2015-16		2016-17 (APR TO MAY)	
		QTY(MT)	VAL	QTY(MT)	VAL	QTY(MT)	VAL	QTY(MT)	VAL
Coconut	Indonesia	12.50	0.02	25.00	0.06	12.50	0.02	nil	nil
	Philippines	nil	nil	0.57	0.002	nil	nil	nil	nil
	Sri Lanka DSRr	2.00	0.01	220.50	0.54	53.00	0.08	nil	nil
	Switzerland	0.04	0.0003	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
	U S A	30.00	0.02	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Coconut Oil	France	nil	nil	0.75	0.01	nil	nil	nil	nil
	Germany	nil	nil	0.19	0.001	nil	nil	nil	nil
	Indonesia	1625.98	1.47	9671.34	12.96	5173.95	6.34	nil	nil
	Korea Rp	nil	nil	0.54	0.001	nil	nil	nil	nil
	New Zealand	nil	nil	nil	nil	0.86	0.01	nil	nil
	Sri Lanka DSR	nil	nil	0.07	0.0003	nil	nil	nil	nil
	U Arab Emts	19.59	0.03	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
	U S A	nil	nil	0.36	0.003	nil	nil	nil	nil
Coconut Oil Cake	Cote D' Ivoire	1295.99	0.32	230.49	0.05	694.98	0.15	112.75	0.02
	Guinea	nil	nil	nil	nil	1045.63	0.27	243.82	0.06
	Guinea Bissau	nil	nil	nil	nil	157.85	0.05	nil	nil
	Indonesia	18300.00	4.58	67756.10	16.96	94566.64	21.95	18900.00	4.03
	Malaysia	nil	nil	38.48	0.01	nil	nil	nil	nil
	Mozambique	nil	nil	nil	nil	238.78	0.06	nil	nil
	Papua N Gna	nil	nil	nil	nil	256.00	0.06	512.23	0.13
	Philippines	6170.00	1.41	18050.00	4.68	56412.80	13.23	nil	nil
	Sri Lanka DSR	31.80	0.01	2247.18	0.69	4354.27	1.26	404.66	0.12
Coconut Shell	China P R	4.00	0.0003	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
	Indonesia	nil	nil	186.00	0.09	2846.00	1.45	nil	nil

	Mozambique	54.00	0.02	173.00	0.07	74.00	0.03	nil	nil
	Philippines	10320.00	3.90	14388.00	6.46	10263.00	4.93	325.00	0.14
	Russia	nil	nil	nil	nil	48.00	0.10	nil	nil
	Sri Lanka DSR	nil	nil	nil	nil	633.00	0.30	nil	nil
	Vietnam Soc Rep	nil	nil	130.00	0.06	24.00	0.01	nil	nil
Coconut Shell(Unworked)	Brazil	0.02	0.0003						

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