

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 163**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 18<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2016**

**IMPORT OF NUTMEG**

**163. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:**

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

- the total quantity and value of nutmeg imported into the country during the last three years and the current year;
- whether the import of nutmeg has adversely affected the market and local price of nutmeg;
- if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- the present stand of the Government on the import of nutmeg?

**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): Import of nutmeg, quantity wise and value wise, during the last three years and current year (April to May, 2016) is as under:

Year	Qty (Ton)	Value (Million USD)
2013-14	1225.30	9.58
2014-15	397.65	3.55
2015-16	493.85	3.02
2016-17 (April-May)	8.00	0.04

Note: Figures for 2015-16 and 2016-17 (April to May) are provisional.

(b) & (c): In recent years the import of nutmeg has been significantly below the 2013-14 level, which indicates diminishing impact on the domestic market.

(d): Import policy for nutmeg is 'free'.

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