

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON

INDIA'S SHARE IN WORLD EXPORT TRADE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS .

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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state :-

- (a) India's share in world export trade in agricultural products;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the total volume of farm exports is still very low;
- (c) if so, the details of items exported during the last five years; and
- (d) the steps taken to boost farm exports?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

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(a) to c) In 2008, India's share in US dollar term is about 1.35% of world trade in agriculture. Details of agricultural products exported during the last five years is annexed.

(d) Encouraging export is a continuous process. The Government is taking steps to encourage export of agro products through measures and incentives under Plan schemes of the Commodity Boards and Export Promotion Councils. Further, in order to boost export of Indian products, the Ministry of Commerce & Industry has put in place various schemes namely Market Development Assistance (MDA), Market Assistance Initiative (MAI), Assistance to States for Developing Export Infrastructure and Allied Activities (ASIDE), Vishesh Krishi and Gram Upaj Yojana, Focus Product Scheme, Focus Market Scheme, Town of Export Excellence, etc. Trade delegations are sent abroad and Buyer-Seller meets are organized in this direction.