

GSP Ceilings for Expopt of Garments

1753. SHRI NARESH CHANDRA CHATURVEDI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to refer to the replies given to Unstarred Question No. 896 on 27 July, 1984 and Unstarred Question No. 2033 on 3 August, 1984 regarding GSP concessions for the exports of Indian garments and GSP utilization Statistics from USA and EEC in respect of each category of ready-made garments, respectively, and state the generalised system of preferences ceiling applicable to India and India's actual exports of garments against these ceilings for 1983, 1984 and 1985 ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER) : Garments are not included in the GSP Scheme of USA.

Information relating to utilisation of ceilings for garments under EEC's GSP Scheme is being obtained for 1983 and 1984 and for 1985 upto the period available and would be placed on the table of the House.

Counting of Military Service for pay fixation, promotion etc. of Ex-Servicemen Re-employed in Public Sector Banks

1754. SHRI JUJHAR SINGH : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4865 on 20th December, 1985 regarding counting of military service for pay-fixation, promotion etc. of ex-servicemen re-employed in Public Sector Banks and state :

(a) whether any decision has been taken by Government in the matter :

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) No, Sir,

(b) Does not arise.

Demand for Raw Jute in 1986

1755. SYED SHAHABUDDIN Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state whether Government anticipate a rise or fall in the demand of raw jute in 1986 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN) : The Working Group on Jute Textiles for 7th Five Year Plan, set up by the Planning Commission, projected higher demand for raw jute during 1986-87.

Export of Tea

1756. SHRI K. S. RAO : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity and value of tea sold to each country in each financial year from 1982-83 to 1985-86 ;

(b) the export targets fixed for each country for 1986-87 ; and

(c) the reasons for reduced export to some countries during the past two years ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER) (a) Statement indicating quantity and value of exports to countries which account for bulk of Indian tea exports for the period 1982-83 to 1984-85 is given below. The quantity covered under shipment licences issued during 1985-86 (April to January) is also indicated.

(b) and (c) Export targets are not fixed on countrywise basis. Foreign buyers have to compete with each other as well as with buyers for the domestic market for purchasing Indian tea. The purchases of Indian tea by the importing countries vary from year to year, since their buying depend on various factors like their stock position, foreign exchange availability and availability of cheaper teas from other countries. However the overall volume of exports of tea from India has shown continuous increase over the past three years.

Statement	1982-83		1983-84		1984-85		1985-86*	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Countries								
U.K.	51.70	87.22	38.81	95.34	35.23	118.47	29.55	118.47
U.S.S.R.	57.88	114.68	60.29	179.13	84.53	291.73	88.29	291.73
Iran	10.25	21.69	19.85	48.15	19.16	78.76	19.60	78.76
Iraq	6.83	11.69	13.44	38.77	9.47	30.39	5.52	30.39
A.R.E	12.32	20.26	13.03	31.68	18.30	56.79	14.74	56.79
Poland	12.25	21.77	12.97	34.91	7.50	25.19	3.26	25.19
West Germany	6.18	14.87	3.24	12.30	8.45	23.22	3.36	23.22
Ireland	3.42	8.84	2.93	6.40	2.95	9.57	2.42	9.57
U.S.A	3.03	7.90	2.37	9.11	2.57	13.00	2.01	13.00
U.A.E.	2.14	6.30	3.80	11.97	3.40	16.00	3.26	16.00
Afghanistan	5.80	9.64	6.18	13.66	2.09	5.92	3.93	5.92
Libya	Negligible		0.08	2.54	2.49	9.21	4.57	9.21

*Shipment licences issued.