

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR) : (a) and (b). Rough emeralds are mostly imported from Switzerland, U.K., U.S.A., Brazil, Belgium, Zambia, Federal Republic of Germany, Columbia and France. Government has followed a continued policy to facilitate import of rough emeralds with tariff concessions for re-export and to help improve processing technology and productivity.

Export of Gems and Jewellery

3383. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR GOYAL : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the total exports of gems and jewellery in 1983 ; and

(b) the particulars of exporters and importers ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR) : (a) Exports of gem and jewellery items in 1983 were of the order of Rs. 1303 crores.

(b) Presently, the total number of registered exporters with the Gem and Jewellery Export Promotion Council (as on 29-2-1984) is 2226. All the registered exporters are also

importers.

Production and Export of Coffee

3384. SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the production of coffee in the country during the years 1981, 1982 and 1983 ;

(b) the names of the States which are producing coffee and its production in each State ;

(c) the quantity of coffee exported during the years 1981-82, 1982-83 and 1983-84 and the amount involved ;

(d) the measures taken by Government to increase the production of coffee in the country ; and

(e) the quantum of central assistance earmarked in Sixth Plan for the implementation of the scheme for increasing the production of coffee ; the details of response made by the coffee producing States ;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR) : (a) and (b). The production of coffee in the country during 1980-81, 1981-82 and 1982-83 seasons and the state-wise production are indicated below :

(in tonnes)

State	80-81	81-82*	82-83*
Karnataka	82125	102750	93925
Kerala	21043	33655	21785
Tamil Nadu	14978	15170	14920
Andhra Pradesh	286	440	N.A.
Other States	79	85	N.A.
All India	118646**	152100	130000

*Latest revised Estimate

**Inclusive of sweepings and gain-weight

(c) Exports of coffee during the years 1981-82, 1982-83 and 1983-84 has been as follows :

Fiscal year	Quantity (in tonnes)	Value (in lakhs of Rs)
1981-82	83817	16668.07
1982-83	83783	20299.30
1983-84 (April '83 to Jan. '84 Provisional)	64357	15527.00

(d) and (e). Government have sanctioned various schemes such as expansion of coffee cultivation, expansion subsidy, interest and replanting subsidies, extension services and research. The following are the quantum of financial assistance earmarked by the Government :

(Rs. lakhs)

Head	VI Plan (1980-85 period)
Plan Schemes Allocation	563.00
Loan	3481.00
Subsidies	596.00
Total :	4640.00

Largely due to these schemes the average annual production of coffee during the VI Plan period is expected to reach 1,36,540 Tonnes whereas it was 1,14,342 tonnes during the previous 5 years period. Around 10,000 hectares of the land under coffee has been developed in the non-traditional areas as on 1981-82 and work on 13,700 hectares is expected to be completed in the next couple of years. In the traditional areas expansion rate is around 3,000 hectares per annum.

Iron Ore Exported to Japan during 1981-82, 1982-83 and 1983-84

3385. SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA :
Will the Minister of COMMERCE be

pleased to state :

(a) the amount of the iron ore exported to Japan during the year 1981-82, 1982-83 and 1983-84 ;

(b) the State from which the iron ore is being procured and exported to Japan ; and

(c) the Government policy in regard to the export of iron ore during the year 1984-85 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR) : (a) Iron ore exports to Japan during 1981-82, 1982-83 and 1983-84 (upto February, 1984) are 16.58, 15.19 and 13.49 million tonnes respectively.

(b) Iron ore is exported to Japan from (a) Vizag Port which is procured from Bailadila mines in Madhya Pradesh, (b) Madras Port which is procured from mines in Karnataka (c) Paradip Port which is procured from mines in Orissa and Bihar and (d) Marmugao Port which is procured from mines in Goa.

(c) Government Policy in regard to the export of iron ore during the year 1984-85 will be incorporated in the Import and Export Policy Book to be released at the commencement of the financial year 1984-85.

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3386. SHRI PIYUSH TIRKI : Will the