

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

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EXPORT OF FLOWERS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether there has been considerable decline in India`s export of flowers during the year 2000; (
- (b) if so, the quantity of different types of flowers exported during the years 1988, 1999 and 2000 and the foreign exchange earned therefrom respectively; (
- (c) the countries to which the flowers are mainly exported and the reasons for decline in exports to these countries; (
- (d) whether the absence of direct marketing network with the international auctioning countries and high freight rates are the main reasons for this decline; and (
- (e) if so, the steps taken / being taken to remove these bottlenecks with a view to compete with the other exporting countries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) : No, Sir.

(b) to (e) : Do not arise.