

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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AGRI-EXPORT ZONES

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

- (a) whether the Government have set up Agri Export Zones (AEZs) in various States for the export of farm produce on the basis of specific products and geographical areas;
- (b) if so, the location-wise and product-wise details of AEZs already established and the results achieved therefrom;
- (c) the States in which AEZs are proposed to be set up and the time schedule fixed therefor;
- (d) whether any consultations have been held with the State Governments in this regard;
- (e) whether AEZ is also proposed to be set up in the State of Kerala and in the Vidarbha region of Maharashtra which have great potential for export of agricultural produce; and
- (f) if so, the assistance provided to the State Governments for the establishment of AEZs?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) to (d): Till date the Central Government has sanctioned 45 Agri Export Zones (AEZs) for being set up in 19 different states as per details given in the annexure. These AEZs are in different stages of implementation. Agricultural and Processed Food Products Development Authority (APEDA) is the nodal agency appointed by the Central Government to promote setting up of AEZ and it interacts with the State Governments as required.

(e) & (f): An AEZ has been approved for being set up in Kerala entailing likely investment of Rs. 29.87 crores which includes support of Rs. 9.98 crores from Central Government agencies. Five AEZs have been approved in the State of Maharashtra with a total likely investment of Rs. 107.31 crores including support of Rs. 30.34 crores from Central Government agencies.

**ANNEXURE**

**LIST OF APPROVED HORTICULTURE AGRI EXPORT ZONES**

S. No. STATE PRODUCT

1. Andhra Pradesh Mango Pulp & Fresh Vegetables, Mangoes, Mango & Grapes
2. Assam Fresh & Processed Ginger
3. Bihar Lychee
4. Gujarat Mango & Vegetables
5. Himachal Pradesh Apples
6. Jammu & Kashmir Apples, Walnut
- 7 Jharkhand Vegetables
8. Karnataka Gherkins, Rose Onions, Flowers.
9. Kerala Horticulture Products
10. Madhya Pradesh Potatoes, Onion and Garlic, Seed Spices, Wheat
11. Maharashtra Grapes & Grape Wine, Mango, Kesar Mango, Flowers, Onions

12. Orissa Ginger and Turmeric
13. Punjab Vegetables, Potatoes, Basmati Rice
14. Sikkim Flowers (orchids) & Cherry Pepper, Ginger
15. Tamil Nadu Flowers, Mangoes
16. Tripura Organic Pineapple
17. Uttar Pradesh Potatoes, Mangoes & Vegetables, Mangoes, Basmati Rice
18. Uttranchal Lychee, Flowers, Basmati Rice, Medicinal & Aromatic Plants
19. West Bengal Pineapple, Lychee, Potatoes, Mango, Vegetables