

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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EXPORT OF CHILLI
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether green chilli, red chilli and chilli powder are being exported to other countries;
- (b) if so, the amount of such items exported separately, the amount of foreign exchange earned with names of destination countries during each of the last three years; and
- (c) the regions which are main producer of chilli and names of important auction centres in the country and volume of chilli handled in such auction centres with the sale price amount during each of the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The estimated quantity of chilli items exported and the value realized during the last three years are given in table below:-

Quantity (Qty): Tons Value: Rs. crores

Items	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03 (P) #	
	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
Chilly	37191	122.46	39973	125.12	40743	129.65
Chilly Powder	15977	62.76	24991	89.00	22392	82.26
Green Chilly	3212	5.95	1195	2.86	1034	2.24

Source: DGCI&S, Calcutta

(P) Provisional

Pertains to period April-December, 2002-03

Major export destinations for these items include Sri Lanka, USA, Bangladesh, Malaysia, UK, UAE, Saudi Arabia, etc.

(c) Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Orissa, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal are major producers of chilli. There are no auction centres operating in chilli trade in the country.