

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:184
ANSWERED ON:01.08.2003
EXPORT OF MANGOES TO CHINA
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the present position of India's exports to China in respect of fruits and vegetables;
- (b) whether China has shown keen interest in importing Indian mangoes after the recent visit of Indian Prime Minister to China;
- (c) if so, whether India has started export of mangoes to China;
- (d) if so, the quantum and value of mangoes exported;
- (e) the estimated quantity of mangoes to be exported to China during the remaining period of current year and estimate of foreign exchange likely to be earned from this export;
- (f) whether any negotiations are in progress with China to boost export of other fruits and vegetables;
- (g) if so, the details thereof; and
- (h) the steps being taken to increase the volume of trade of other fruits and vegetables with China?

Answer

MINISTER FOR COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) to (h): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (h) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 184
ANSWER ON 1-8-2003 REGARDING EXPORT OF MANGOES TO CHINA

- (a): The total value of exports of fruits and vegetables (fresh and processed) to China during 2001-02 and 2002-03 are Rs. 25.93 lakhs and Rs. 181.73 lakhs respectively. (Source: DGCI&S)
- (b) to (d): Following the Prime Minister's visit to China, India has recently sent a consignment of mangoes as an export promotion initiative.
- (e): It is premature to make an estimate of export of mangoes to China at this stage.
- (f) to (h): As a follow up to the Phyto-sanitary protocol for other fresh fruits and vegetables submitted to China, a request has been made to consider opening of imports of few fruits and vegetables recently.