GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1291 ANSWERED ON:21.08.2007 PRODUCTION OF COFFEE Gaddigoudar Shri P.C.;Shivanna Shri M

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

- (a) the total quantity of coffee produced during each of the last three years particularly in Karnataka, State-wise;
- (b) whether there is no substantial increase in the production of coffee during the above period;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to increase the production of coffee?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) State-wise production of coffee during the last three years:

(in metric Tonnes)
State 2004-05 2005-06 2006-07 (P)
Karnataka- 1,98,600 1,96,275 2,06,025
Kerala 54,300 56,825 59,475
Tamil Nadu 18,300 18,825 18,225
Others 4,300 2,075 4,275
Total 275,500 2,74,000 2,88,000
(P) Provisional

- (b) & (c) The coffee production has increased marginally in 2006-07. Considering the fact that there is not much scope to expand coffee area in the traditional coffee growing states like Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu, efforts are on to expand coffee areas in the non-traditional coffee growing states like Andhra Pradesh, Orissa and the North East.
- (d) In order to increase the production of coffee, the Govt. of India has been implementing various plan schemes through the Coffee Board. Further, suitable financial incentives for replanting of the senile coffee blocks in all the coffee growing areas have been extended.