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

- (a) the total quantity of Organic Coffee produced and exported by each State alongwith its value during each of the last three years and in the current year till date, country-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to develop Organic Coffee Hub in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time by when the Organic Coffee Hubs are likely to be developed?

Answer

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

a): The estimated certified organic coffee production for the period 2004-05 onwards is as under:

Year 2004-05 2005-06 2006-07 2007-08

Production of	600	1,129	1,125	Not yet
Coffee (in metric ton)			compiled	

The database on export of coffee is being maintained grade-wise and there is no segregation of state-wise export of coffee. The export of organic coffee has been very small hence the exclusive data was not being captured in the past and the same is included within the specialty coffee segment. The details of export of specialty coffee for the period 2004-05 onwards are as follows:

Year 2004-05 2005-06 2006-07 2007-08

Quantity (in metric ton) 8,997.00 9,095.00 9,476.00 Not Available

Value (in Rs. Lac) 5,921.00 8,090.70 9,168.50 Not Available

(a) to (d) Though there is no proposal to convert any particular region as a hub for organic coffee, Coffee Board promotes the cultivation of organic coffee. The Board provides technical and financial assistance for expansion of coffee, raising of mixed shade, construction of drying yards, purchase of pulpers and market support to this segment of coffee growers in order to make organic coffee cultivation a sustainable way.