

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:490
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EXPORT OF FLOWERS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantity and value of Floriculture products exported to various countries during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise and item-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to increase their exports; and
- (c) if so, the details along with the steps taken by the Government to increase the export of flowers from various States including Himachal Pradesh, Uttaranchal and J&K?

Answer

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

- (a) The quantity and value of floriculture products exported during the last three years is given below:

(Quantity in metric tons; Value: Rupees in crore)
2005-06 2006-07 2007-08#
Quantity Value Quantity Value Quantity Value

35186.00 299.41 42016.60 649.83 33407.03 304.44

Source: DGCI&S

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- (ii) Details of export of floriculture products to major importing countries of Indian produce are given below:

(Quantity in metric tons: Value: Rupees in crore)
Country 2005-2006 2006-2007 2007-08#
Quantity Value Quantity Value Quantity Value

Japan	3,384.51	56.41	8,323.46	325.53	1625.65	29.84
United States of America	13,175.83	75.88	9,652.08	74.98	8883.91	66.06
Netherlands	2,233.16	27.41	4,334.18	44.72	4347.82	38.59
United Kingdom	3,791.80	30.85	4,297.69	36.00	3880.76	35.00
Germany	2,986.43	24.33	3,848.71	30.97	3903.67	31.73
Ethopia	55.01	3.22	360.84	11.27	1228.69	18.00
Itlay	1,224.60	9.07	1,765.20	11.14	1094.98	8.15
United Arab Emirates	651.45	6.29	960.4	8.56	518.49	5.43
Belgium	557.45	5.31	646.16	7.15	446.86	4.52
Spain	481.65	4.77	687.55	6.71	733.79	7.36
Australia	226.95	4.65	252.59	6.61	498.93	5.93

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- (iii) Item wise details of export of floriculture products to major importing countries of Indian produce are given below:

(Quantity in metric tons: Value: Rupees in crore)
Country 2005-2006 2006-2007 2007-08
Quantity Value Quantity Value Quantity Value

Fresh cut flowers and flower buds

Japan	3121.79	53.51	8,188.69	288.98	1,747.73	30.99
United Arab Emirates	240.86	2.30	465.31	4.57	356.85	3.51
United Kingdom	165.80	1.28	132.28	1.67	244.07	1.99
Netherlands	297.57	3.39	911.15	4.83	998.51	1.95

Dried, dyed or otherwise prepared cut flowers and buds for ornamental purposes

United States of America	3408.48	18.16	2057.07	13.73	2891.71	16.96
Germany	747.31	7.25	1565.93	11.90	1114.52	7.79
Italy	422.20	2.89	468.89	3.62	409.45	3.01
Netherlands	747.46	7.11	1141.77	9.49	1356.83	13.00
United Kingdom	1318.61	10.31	981.67	8.56	934.68	9.13

Foliage , branches not fresh and other art of plants without flowers for ornamental purposes

United States of America	9363.57	51.26	7382.64	52.92	6302.31	46.85
United Kingdom	2290.47	18.27	3131.58	24.74	2953.47	25.82
Netherlands	1129.37	10.52	2215.16	20.06	2163.46	18.38
Germany	2090.40	14.79	2176.36	16.38	3009.55	23.00
France	2838.09	2.88	371.29	3.51	459.06	4.13
Other live plants						
China	717.89	1.75	5.06	0.30	164.64	0.65
United Arab Emirates	34.47	0.86	19.60	0.23	63.63	0.73
Germany	6.04	0.39	21.23	1.27	2.56	0.37
Netherlands	9.33	0.7	21.67	0.55	0.60	0.11

Export figures for current year are not available.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) has been taking various measures to promote export of floriculture products. These include:

(i) Setting up of centers for perishable cargo at International Airports at Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Bangalore, Hyderabad and Thiruvananthapuram.

(ii) Assistance for setting up wholesale market-cum-flower auction centres at Bangalore, Mumbai, Noida and Kolkata.

(iii) Setting up of AEZs for floriculture products.

(iv) Participation in international trade fairs.

(v) Financial assistance to its registered exporters under its schemes for financial assistance for Infrastructure Development, Market Development, Quality Development, Research & Development and Transport Assistance.

(vi) Duty Credit Scrip benefits are available on exports of cut flowers under the Vishesh Krishi and Gram Udyog Yojana (VKGUY).