

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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MILK PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the demand and supply scenario of milk products in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to withdraw the subsidy on export of milk products;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has made any assessment of price fluctuation in the aftermath of withdrawal of the said subsidy; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof*

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
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- (a) Production of milk and milk products in the country is by and large sufficient to meet the domestic demand. A statement indicating the milk production during last three years is enclosed at Annex-I. Estimate of milk production for the current year has not been finalized.
- (b) &(c) To maintain the supply of milk in domestic market, Government in its Foreign Trade Policy 2009-14, dated 27.08.2009 announced withdrawal of export incentives on milk & milk products under the scheme Vishesh Krishi Gram Udyog Yojna (VKGUY).
- (d) & (e) Government is regularly monitoring the milk situation in the country to ensure availability of milk milk products at reasonable prices. Because of drought like situation & increased cost of production of milk there was some increase in prices of milk & milk products even after the withdrawal of subsidy.