

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

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EXPORT OF PACKAGED FRUITS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken steps for spreading awareness about the proper storage, packaging and export packaging of fruits;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details regarding fruits exported during the last three years, State-wise and quantity-wise; and
- (d) the revenue earned by the Government through the export of fruits?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a-b): Yes, Madam the Government has developed specifications and standards for various fruits and vegetables through the Indian Institute of Packaging. The exporters using these specifications for export packaging are also provided financial assistance as a measure of promoting these standards of packaging. National Horticulture Board has developed standards for cold storages, which also help exporters in proper storage of exportable fruits.

(c-d): The State-wise export data is not maintained. However the details of exports of fruits, both in value and quantity, are as under:

Quantity in MTs; value in Rs. crores

	2006-07		2007-08		2008-09		2009-10 (#P) (Apr.-Oct.)	
Product	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Other	177638.30	309.97	207700.78	304.53	256767.51	430.87	125140.69	249.04
Fresh								
Fruits								
Grapes	85897.79	301.92	96963.57	317.83	124627.97	408.61	42495.58	202.67
Mangoes	79060.88	141.94	54350.80	127.42	83703.18	170.71	68792.70	169.89
Walnuts	5062.86	118.04	6716.49	162.08	5696.34	141.24	3848.22	76.31
Total	347659.83	871.87	365731.64	911.86	470795.00	1151.43	240277.19	697.91

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