

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

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ASSISTANCE TO BOOST EXPORT OF POTATO
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide financial assistance to the potato producers in various States including West Bengal to boost the export of potato;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has adopted a uniform policy in the country regarding export of potato; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- a) & b): The Government, through APEDA, provides financial assistance to its registered exporters under its various schemes for Infrastructure Development, Quality Development, Market Promotion, Research & Development and Transport Assistance Scheme.
- c) & d): The Government in the Foreign Trade Policy permits export of potatoes, from any state, without any restriction.