

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:5
ANSWERED ON:26.07.2010
EXPORT OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the details regarding the quantity and value of export of fruits and vegetables during the last three years;
- (b) the details of the ongoing schemes and agencies involved with regard to the export of fruits and vegetables; and
- (c) the extent to which these schemes have proved beneficial to the farmers?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI ANAND SHARMA)

a)to c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 5 FOR ANSWER ON 26TH JULY 2010 REGARDING "EXPORT OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES"

(a) The details of exports of fruits and vegetables during the last three years are as follows:

Quantity: MTs Value: Rs. lakhs

Product	2007-08		2008-09		2009-10#	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value

Fruits	365732	91186	470795	115143	NA	226895
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Vegetable	1358842	152527	2175471	250772	NA	290435
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Total	1724574	243713	2646266	365915	NA	517330
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Source: DGCIS, # Provisional for financial year, NA – Not available

(b) The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) under the administrative control of Ministry of Commerce and Industry was established in 1986 under an Act of Parliament for the development and promotion of the export of scheduled agro products which among other products include fruits and vegetables. The Government has been extending financial assistance to registered exporters, through APEDA, as a measure to encourage the exports of commodities including fruits & vegetables through its schemes for Market Development, Infrastructure Development, Quality Development, Research & Development and Transport Assistance. As regards export of onion, currently 13 State Trading Enterprises (STEs) including National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation (NAFED) are authorized as canalizing agencies for this purpose.

(C) Financial Assistance provided by the Government to exporters registered with APEDA ultimately benefits the farmers/growers of the fruits and vegetables in terms of remunerative prices for their produce. The export of fruits and vegetables has registered a growth of over 112 percent during the last three years (2007-08 to 2009-10) in terms of value.