

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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EXPORT OF ONION
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantity and value of onion exported during the last six months;
- (b) the agencies in the country involved in the export of onion alongwith the locations thereof;
- (c) whether onion is being exported on a regular basis inspite of the scarcity and price rise in the country;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the number of time during the said period, NAFED has revised the minimum Export price of Onion to check the price rise in the domestic market?

Answer

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

- (a) The quantity and value of Onion exported during the last 6 months are as under:

Month	Quantity(MTS)	Value in Rs. lakhs
January'10	238234	27454.50
February'10	190602	18989.26
March'10	159765	16619.53
April'10	177366	22436.80#
May'10	102489	10146.50#
June'10	175299	18537.86#
Total	10,43,755	1,14,184

Tentative

- (b) The following 13 agencies are involved in the export of Onion:

(i) National Agricultural Cooperation Marketing Federation of India Ltd.,(NAFED), New Delhi, (ii) Maharashtra State Agricultural Marketing Board, (MSAMB)Pune ,(iii) Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation(GAIC), Ahmedabad,(iv) Karnataka State Co-operative Marketing Federation Ltd.(KSCMF), Bangalore,(v) Andhra Pradesh State Trading Corporation Ltd.(APSTCL), Hyderabad,(vi) National Co-operative Consumers Federation Of India Ltd.(NCCF), New Delhi,(vii) Spices Trading Corporation Ltd.(STCL), Bangalore, (viii) North Karnataka Onion Growers Co-operative Society Ltd., Hubli (NKOGCS),(ix) Madhya Pradesh Agro Industries Development Corporation Ltd.(MPAIDC), Bhopal, (x) Andhra Pradesh State Co-op Marketing Federation Ltd.(APFEDN), Hyderabad , (xi) Madhya Pradesh State Co-op Oilseed Growers Federation Ltd.(MPOGF), Bhopal, (xii) Karnataka Agricultural Produce Processing And Export Corporation Ltd. (KAPPEC), Bangalore, and (xiii) West Bengal State Essential Commodities Supplies Corporation Ltd. (WBSECS),Kolkata.

(c) & (d) Onion is being exported regularly during the last 6 months because there was no scarcity of onion during the said period and there was no upward trend in the price of onions in the domestic market in this period.

(e) During the last 6 months, NAFED has revised Minimum Export Price (MEP) of Onion 4 times in accordance with the upward/downward trend in the domestic market.