

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

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SUBSIDY TO TEA INDUSTRY

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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Tea Board has requested the Government to clear the backlog of subsidies to the Tea Industry for producing orthodox tea which has good demand in the international market; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): Yes, Madam. Government of India is providing the assistance through its approved Plan Schemes for Orthodox Tea Production within the allocation provided under the schemes. Incentive for producing orthodox tea is one of the components of the Quality Upgradation and Product Diversification Scheme approved for implementation by the Tea Board during the 11th Five Year Plan