GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3671 ANSWERED ON:16.08.2010 PURCHASE BY TOBACCO BOARD Vishwanath Shri Adagur H

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

(a) the details of quantity of tobacco purchased from tobacco farmers through Tobacco Board during the last three years, year-wise and State -wise;

(b) whether the State Government of Karnataka has requested the Central Government to purchase tobacco on the basis of the State's production capacity; and

(c) if so, the details of action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) The details of the quantity of tobacco, auctioned at the platforms established by Tobacco Board, during the last three years, yearwise and state-wise, are as follows:

Year of Quantity of tobacco marketed in auctions auction at auction platforms establishment by the Board (M.Kgs)

Karnataka Andhra Maharashtra Orissa Pradesh

2007 87.65 171.17 0.10 0.68

2008 114.00 164.70 0.12 0.51

2009 115.67 203.37 0.13 0.44

(b) No, Madam

(c) Does not arise.