GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

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PACKAGE FOR COFFEE GROWERS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of production of coffee during the last three years and the current year, State-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the measures being taken by the Government to increase the production, quality and export of coffee and the outcome achieved thereon; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to help the coffee growers in the country?

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. 435 FOR ANSWER ON 3RD AUGUST 2009 REGARDING "PACKAGE FOR COFFEE GROWERS"

a) The state wise details of coffee produced in the country during the last three years and the current year are furnished below:

Qty. in MT

State 2006-07 2007-08 2008-09 2009-10

Karnataka 206025 191575 183860 221475

Kerala 59475 49000 57200 59550

Tamilnadu 18225 18100 16255 19550

Andhra Pradesh & Orissa 4085 3175 4870 5595

North Eastern region 190 150 115 130

Post blossom estimate

(b) In order to increase production and quality of coffee, the Government of India, has been extending subsidies to the coffee growers for replantation, augmenting irrigation and post harvest handling facilities, development and transfer of technology. Besides, participating in various national and international events, fairs, etc. to promote and popularize the Indian brands of coffees, the Government is supporting exporters to export value added coffees as India brands and export high value coffees to key markets.

The achievements made on the above activities during the last two years of XI Plan period are as under:

S.No Activity Achievement		
1	Replantation in Ha 8661	
2	Water augmentation/Quality upgradation in units 6060	
3	Export of value added coffee as Indian brands in MT 5554	
4	Export of high value coffees to far off markets in MT 232	25
5	Participation in overseas trade fairs in Nos 22	
6	Buyer- Seller meets in Nos 6	

including spillover cases of X Plan.

c) The Government of India has extended various relief packages to help the coffee growers in the country during and after the periods of crisis (2000-04) like Special Coffee Term Loan package April, 2002, Special Relief Package in June 2005 and PM's Relief Package for debt stressed farmers in October, 2006 covering the coffee growers in the districts of Chikmagalur, Hassan and Kodagu in Karnataka and Wayanad and Idukki districts in Kerala.