

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the total quantity and value of export of chilli during the last three years and the current year, Country-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the details regarding India`s position in terms of chilli exports world-wide; and
- (c) the steps taken to improve exports of chilli and the outcome thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a)& (b) India is number one exporter of chilli in the World.The details of chilli exports are Annexed.

(c) During the XI Plan,Government through Export Oriented Production and Post Harvest Improvement of Spices and Export Development and Promotion of Spices schemes is providing assistance for promotion of Spices exports including chilli. The Government has sanctioned a Spices Park 85and Quality Evaluation Laboratory(QEL) at Guntur which is a major producer of chill. Together, these facilities will empower chilli farmers to improve the processing and value addition for their produce and realise better prices for their produce and enhance the exports.

The Spices Board has introduced the mandatory sampling and testing for Sudan dye I – IV so that Indian chilli and chilli products are more acceptable in the international markets. The export of chilli from India has gone up from 113174 M.T. valued Rs.403.01 crores in 2005-06 to 188000 M.T. valued Rs.1080.95 crores in 2008-09.