GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3162 ANSWERED ON:27.07.2009 EXPORT OF RICE Gandhi Smt. Maneka Sanjay;Sarvey Shri Sathyanarayana

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

- (a) the details regarding quantum and value of basmati rice exports during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested the Union Government to collect five lakh metric tonnes of rice from the State for exports; and
- (c) 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) The details of basmati rice export, both quantum and value, during the years 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 (Apr. 08-Jan. 09) are as follows:

Quantity in MTs and Value in Rs. lakhs

Products 2005-06 2006-07 2007-08 2008-09 (Apr. 08-Jan. 09)

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Basmati Rice 1166563 304309 1045715 279281 1183356 434485 1068436 669508

Source: APEDA - DGCIS

(b-c) No,Madam.The Government of Andhra Pradesh had requested to consider permitting 10 lac tons of rice for exports. The request of Government of Andhra Pradesh was considered and it was decided that the present ban on export of Non-Basmati Rice should continue for the time being.