## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

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

- (a) the details regarding India's position in terms of export of fruits and vegetables world-wide; and
- (b) the measures being taken to increase the exports of fruits and vegetables and the outcome thereof?

## **Answer**

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

- (a) India is the second largest producer of fruits and vegetables in the world; however its share in global trade in fruits and vegetables is less than 2% and 1% respectively.
- (b) The Government has been coordinating with export promotion agencies such as Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) and Export Inspection Council (EIC) by providing necessary technical inputs and financial assistance. APEDA through its schemes for Infrastructure Development, Quality Development, Market Development and the Scheme for Research & Development has been making efforts to gain market access for fruits and Vegetables, etc. The efforts have resulted in growth in export of these products.