

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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EXPORT OF RUBBER
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of rubber exported during each of the last three years and target fixed for its export during the current year;
- (b) whether there is a persistent demand particularly from rubber growers to increase the export quota of Rubber;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to lift the restriction on the export of rubber to enable the farmers to get remunerative prices;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the Government is considering to formulate a persistent export policy for rubber;and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): The target fixed for export of Natural Rubber (NR) during the current year is 50,000 tonnes. The quantum of Rubber exported during each of the last three years is as under:-

Natural Rubber Export

Year Quantity (Tonne)

2007-08 60,353

2008-09 46,926

2009-10 25,090

(b) & (c): There is no export quota for Natural Rubber, therefore, the question of details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto does not arise.

(d) & (e): There is no restriction on the export of Natural Rubber.

(f) & (g): The Government has a persistent policy on export of Natural Rubber. The NR Sector in India is primarily domestic market oriented. However, the scheme for promotion of export of NR in the 10th and 11 th Five year plan were formulated based on the persistent policy on export of NR. Market development and export promotion is an approved activity under the XI Plan Scheme of the Rubber Board of India. The main activities under the export promotion component includes participation in International trade fairs to publicize Indian Rubber, assistant to exporters to participation in trade fairs, organising of buyer- seller meets and provision of market intelligence. The export of Nr during the first three years of 11th Plan totalled 132,369 tonnes.