

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

- (a) the details regarding production and price of cardamom during the last three years;
- (b) whether there has been a fall in price of cardamom;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details regarding import and export of cardamom during the last three years, country- wise and year-wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): There is no decline in prices of cardamom during the last three years. The production and price details of cardamom during the last three years are given below:

Year	Production (Tons)	Prices (per kg)
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2007-08	9,450	503.48
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2008-09	11,000	538.16
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2009-10	10,075	877.41
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(d): India and Guatemala are the major producer of cardamom in the world. The import of cardamom into India, which is mainly from Guatemala, came down substantially from 875 MT in 2007-08 to 180 MT in 2008-09. The import further reduced to 95 MT in 2009-10. Major Country-wise export of cardamom during the last three years is annexed.