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SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH OF KANGRA TEA  
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any scientific research on Minor Aroma Compounds of Kangra tea is being undertaken;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said research has been completed;
- (d) if so, the details and outcome thereof; and
- (e) if not, the time by which the research is likely to be completed?

**Answer**

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

(a) and (b): Yes, Madam. The research on minor aroma components is being undertaken at the Institute of Himalayan Bioresources Technology, Palampur under a Department of Science and Technology sponsored project titled "Studies on aroma-profiles of teas from Kangra region".

(c) to (e): The research is a continuing process. The characterization of minor aroma components in orthodox black tea produced in Kangra region of Himachal Pradesh is associated to uniqueness of quality of tea in relation to geographical location. The aroma compounds have been identified from Kangra tea were also identified as the important minor compounds. All these flavoury components appeared to be responsible for uniqueness of Kangra tea.