## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4343 ANSWERED ON:06.12.2010 SCHEMES BY SPICE BOARD Ju Dev Shri Dilip Singh

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

- (a) whether there is any scheme to provide assistance to the States by the Indian Spice Board to encourage the spice production;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of assistance provided to each State during the last three years; and
- (d) the details of production, export and import of spices in the country during the said period?

## **Answer**

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

(a) to (c): Spices Board is not implementing any scheme for providing assistance to States to encourage the production of spices. However, Spices Board provides assistance to farmers/growers of the States by way of subsidies and grant-in-aid under their schemes viz. Export Oriented Production of Spices, Replantation and Rejuvenation of Cardamom and Pepper and Export Development of Spices, to encourage production of spices.

(d) Details are as given below:

(Qty. in MT)

Year Export Import Production

2007-08 444,250 90,000 5066784

2008-09 470520 83,545 5264830

2009-10 502750 106,700 NA