

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

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DAMAGE TO TEA CROPS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether heavy rain have damaged tea crop in Assam causing decline in output;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the impact of such damage to the domestic industry and on the consumers estimated so far?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): The production of tea in Assam declined by 20 million kilograms due to adverse weather conditions and pest attacks. The impact of damage has been compensated to a large extent by the increased production in West Bengal.