

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:88

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PRODUCTION OF NATURAL RUBBER

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

- (a) the total quantity and value of rubber produced in the country during the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government has any record regarding the prices of the natural rubber in the domestic and international markets;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and its impact on the rubber farmers;
- (d) the details of the total export and import of natural rubber during the last three years;
- (e) whether there has been any effort made by the Ministry or Rubber Board to promote the organic farming of rubber in large scale on big plantations and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government has any proposal to set up fresh Rubber Parks in the country and if so, the details thereof, location-wise and the time frame in which these are likely to be set up?

**Answer**

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

(a): The total quantity and value of rubber produced in the country during the last three years is as under:-

Year	Production (Tonnes)	Value (Rs. Crore)
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2008-09	864500	8742
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2009-10	831400	9559
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2010-11	861950	16380
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(b) & (c): Yes, Madam. The present price of natural rubber is remunerative to the farmers. Average prices of natural rubber in the domestic and international markets during the last three years are given hereunder:-

Year	Domestic Price (Rs/kg)	International Price (Rs/kg)
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2008-09	101.12	103.79
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2009-10	114.98	111.13
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2010-11 190.03 195.55

(d): The details of the total export and import of natural rubber during the last three years are as under:-

Year Export (Tonnes) Import (Tonnes)

2008-09 46926 77762

2009-10 25090 177130

2010-11 29851 177637

(e): There is no scheme for promoting organic farming of rubber in large scale on big plantations by Rubber Board.

(f): There is no proposal to set up fresh Rubber Parks in the country.