

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the total quantity of seafoods exported from India during each of the last three years value-wise and State-wise;
- (b) whether the Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) has taken any steps to boost the export of seafoods particularly from the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (c) whether any steps have been taken to make India the most attractive destination of seafood hub; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

- (a) The details are at annexure-1.
- (b) Yes. MPEDA is operating a number of schemes (list at annexure-2) to promote export in the seafood sector from India including Tamil Nadu.
- (c) & (d) Yes. The following steps have been taken:
  - i) MPEDA is operating a scheme for import of raw material for processing and export of specified value-added products and sea freight assistance scheme for specified value added products to EU/ USA/ Japan and other countries.
  - ii) MPEDA is also operating a Scheme for promotion of Indian value added marine products having MPEDA Quality Logo that is intended to meet the expenditure for promoting the products having MPEDA logo abroad through super markets/ retail outlets/ own marketing etc.
  - iii) MPEDA has identified IFFCO Kisan Special Economic Zone at Nellore, Andhra Pradesh for establishment of Seafood Park for Value Addition. MPEDA has requested IFFCO Kisan SEZ for allotment of 125 acres in the proposed SEZ for establishment of Seafood Park, a hub for Value Addition.