GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3997 ANSWERED ON:19.12.2011 EXPORT OF MARINE PRODUCTS Aaron Rashid Shri J.M.;Lagadapati Shri Rajagopal

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

- (a) whether there has been a decline in the exports of the sea foods and other marine products during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, year-wise and reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of export of marine food products from India during each of the last two years and the current year; and
- (d) the measures being taken by the Government to boost the export of marine products?

Answer

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

- a)&b) No Madam. The export of marine products from the country has shown a positive growth in the last few years.
- c) The total exports from India for the last two years and the current year are as under:

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April-October 2011-12 2010-11 2009-10

Quantity (In tonnes): 3,12,904 8,13,091 6,78,436

Value (in Rs. Crores) 6,679.57 12,901.47 10,048.53

Value (in Million US$) 1,496.34 2,856.92 2,132.84
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d) A number of measures have been taken by the Government of India through the MPEDA (Marine Products Export Development Authority) by implementation of various schemes included in the five year plan. These include steps for promotion of aquaculture production; various subsidy and assistance schemes; proper residue control programmes; Research and Development activities; diversification of activities by adopting commercial aquaculture of exportable variety of marine products; training of farmers and MPEDA technical staff etc.