

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

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COTTON EXPORT POLICY

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to announce a new Cotton and Agriculture Product export policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the benefits to be extended to the producers;
- (c) whether the Government has consulted with State Governments/organizations concerned before taking the decision to impose a ban on the export of cotton;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith steps taken by the Government to export of surplus cotton by issuing the certificate of registration to the exporters;
- (e) the details of cotton/agricultural products exported during the last three years and revenue generated through the export, country-wise; and
- (f) whether the Government proposes to review the ban imposed on cotton and other agricultural products and if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ANAND SHARMA)

- (a): No Madam.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): No, Madam.
- (d): Does not arise.
- (e): Details of export of cotton and some of the agricultural products during the three years is as follows:

Cotton (Cotton Seasons wise which is from October to September)

(Quantity in lakh bales)

2009-10 2010-11 2011-12
(upto 05.03.2012)

83 78.23 94.75

Some other Agricultural products

(Quantity in Ton and Value in Rupees crores)

Item 2009-10 2010-11 2011-12 (upto Nov. 11)
Quantity Value Quantity Value Quantity Value

Basmati Rice 2016869 10889.60 2183507 10578.68 1761569.00 8723.21

Non Basmati 139544 365.30 99286 222.21 1236643.00 2801.53
Rice

Sugar 44735 110.21 1713816 5418.91 1599447.00 5251.05

Onion 1677166 2320.51 1138283 1780.25 843990.28 1194.07

Pulses 99915 407.35 204848 848.86 121397.00 740.23

Wheat 30 0.05 349 0.60 316552.00 428.48

The country-wise data of export of an item is available on the website of DGFT at [http://www.dgft.gov.in/Export Import Data Bank](http://www.dgft.gov.in/Export%20Import%20Data%20Bank) on the home page.

(f): Except edible oil, pulses, milk and milk products, most other agricultural products are not prohibited for export. Restrictions on exports are placed to ensure adequate domestic availability.