

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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BEEDI PRODUCTION

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

- (a) whether the Beedi production has fallen during the last two years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether there has been huge rise in the cost of production while price realization from tobacco this year remains low;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Goa; and
- (e) the steps being taken to overcome such situation in future?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ANAND SHARMA)

(a) to (e): The Beedi Industry is a highly dispersed industry and primarily in the household sector, on which Government does not maintain detailed data.