

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5040
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BAN ON EXPORT OF COTTON
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to ban the export of cash crops like cotton, tobacco and rubber;
- (b) whether the Government has banned foreign firms from buying such cash crops in India;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to help farmers by allowing exports and purchase of all cash crops in the country?

Answer

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

(a): No, Madam,

(b): No, Madam,

(c): Does not arise.

(d): Incentive schemes like Vishesh Krishi and Gram Udyog Yojana (VKGUY) are in place to promote export of agricultural products, their value added products and Gram Udyog Products. Government reviews export policy from time to time in consultation with the administrative Ministries and the Departments concerned, taking into account various factors such as availability of goods in the domestic market, production, the price situation and various national and international commitments etc. Policy on export keeps in view domestic availability and need to maintain a balance between producers of exportable goods and domestic users of such goods.