

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3532
ANSWERED ON:03.09.2012
MEP FOR ONION
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has raised the Minimum Export Price (MEP) for onions;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years;
- (c) the parameters adopted for raising the minimum export price of onions;
- (d) whether the views of the farmers and traders have solicited in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

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

- a): No, Madam. Government has removed MEP for export of onion with effect from 08.05.2012. Since then export of onion is permitted without Minimum Export Price.
- b) to e): Does not arise.