GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

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EXPORT FOR NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of wheat exported to the neighbouring countries including Afghanistan during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to export more wheat to other countries including Afghanistan during the next two years;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether there has been instances of wheat being exported to some countries at prices much lower than the prices prevalent in the global market; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor along with the reaction of the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

a) Quantum of wheat sold to neighbouring countries in last three years is as follows:

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Unit: Ton, Quantity in thousands.
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- S1 Name of the 2009-10 2010-11 2011-12(P) No. country
- 1. Afghanistan - 34.94
- 2. Bangladesh - 312.63
- 3. Nepal 0.01 0.23 1.78
- 4. Pakistan - 38.94
- 5. Sri Lanka - 18.26

Source: DGCIS

- (b) &(c) Wheat exports are normally restricted. Exports would depend upon the domestic demand and supply scenario.
- (d) Wheat being exported through government agencies is at market prices being discovered through competitive tendering.
- (e) Does not arise.