

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

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EXPORT AND IMPORT OF NATURAL RUBBER  
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any targets have been fixed for export and import of natural rubber during the current financial year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the quantum of natural rubber exported and imported during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (d) whether there is a persistent demand particularly from rubber growers and Rubber Board to increase the export quota of natural rubber and formulate a permanent export policy of rubber; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

**Answer**

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

(a) and (b): Targets are fixed only for export of Natural Rubber (NR). The target fixed for export of natural rubber during the current financial year (2009-10 ) is 50,000 tonnes.

(c) : The details of quantum of NR exported and imported during each of the last three years and the current year are as under:-

(Quantity in Tonnes)  
Year    Export    Import

2006-07	56545	89799
2007-08	60353	86394
2008-09p	46926	81545
2009-10p)	834	44083
(1.4.09 - 1.07.09)		

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(d) and (e): There is no fixed quota for NR export on account of high volatility in prices after the lifting of Quantity Restriction (QRs) with effect from 1st April 2001. The Government has a policy on export of NR under the export promotion component as provided for in the Market Development and Export Promotion Scheme being implemented by Rubber Board during the 11th Five Year Plan. The activities mainly include participation in domestic and international trade fairs, organising buyer seller meets, publicity, financial incentive and support to exporters for export of NR.