

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

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RUBBER PRODUCTION

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

- (a) the total quantity of rubber produced and consumed during the last two years;
- (b) whether the Government has any plans to review the reduction of import duty on rubber and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the organization of tyre manufacturers has submitted any representation requesting reduction in the import duty;
- (d) the time by which final decision in this regard is likely to be taken;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to set up rubber skill development centres; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being initiated by the Government to address the issues raised by All India Rubber Industries Association?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a): The total quantity of rubber produced and consumed during the last two years is as under:-

	Production (Tonne)	Consumption (Tonne)
2010-11	861,950	947,715
2011-12	903,700	964,415

(b): No, Madam.

(c): No, Madam.

(d): Does not arise.

(e): A Rubber Skill Development Centre has already been set up, jointly promoted by All India Rubber Industries Association and Automotive Tyre Manufacturers Association under the scheme of National Skill Development Corporation.

(f): The mandate of Rubber Skill Development Centre is to initiate, carryout, execute, implement, aid and assist activities towards skill development in rubber sector and promote academic intelligence covering the issues raised by All India Rubber Industries Association as well.