

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1054
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EXPORT OF ARTIFACTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been an increase in the export of artifacts from the country during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details of the artifacts exported during the said period along with the foreign exchange earned thereon;
- (c) whether the said increase in the export of artifacts is due to the keen interest being taken by the Non-Resident Indians recently; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the facts in the matter?

Answer

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

a)tod) The value of exports of Works of Art, Collectors Pieces and Antiques is given below for the last three years and the current year:

Year Works of Art, Collectors Pieces and Antiques
Value in US \$ Million % Growth (Year on Year basis)

2009-10 218 -26.7

2010-11 243 11.5

2011-12 266 9.5

2012-13 157 -9.2

(April-
November) (P)
Source:DGCI&S

This shows that though the exports increased in the Year 2010-11 & 2011-12, in the current year (April-Nov) it has shown a decline.