## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TRIBAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2453 ANSWERED ON:23.08.2013 PRODUCTION OF FOREST PRODUCE Sugavanam Shri E.G.

## Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated quantum and value of forest produce produced in the country and exported during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and
- (b) the measures being taken by the Government to increase its production/export?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SMT. RANEE NARAH)

- (a): As informed by the Ministry of Environment and Forest, the estimated quantity and the value of major forest produce in the country and produce exported during each of the last three years is placed at Annex-I & Annex-II.
- (b): The Government has taken various initiatives including afforestation, undertaken by the Ministry of Environment and Forest for enhancing production of forest produce. Afforestation in the country is taken up under various Centrally Sponsored Schemes; such as National Afforestation Programme (NAP), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP), National Bamboo Mission (NBM), and also under different State Plan/ Non- Plan Schemes including externally aided projects.