

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

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EXPORT OF ONION  
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has canalized the export/import of onion to keep it under its control;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the agencies selected for the export of onions both public and private agencies; and
- (c) the quantum of onion imported/exported by these private agencies out of the total onion exported and imported during each of the last three years and the current year?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. The Government has designated the following 13 State Trading Enterprises (STEs) as canalizing agencies for export/import of onions of all varieties:-

- (i) National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd. (NAFED)
- (ii) Maharashtra State Agricultural Marketing Board (MSAMB)
- (iii) Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation Ltd. (GALC)
- (iv) The Spices Trading Corporation Ltd. (STCL)
- (v) The A.P. State Trading Corporation
- (vi) The Karnataka State Co-operative Marketing Federation Ltd. (KSCMF)
- (vii) The National Co-operative Consumers Federation of India Ltd., (NCCF)
- (viii) The North Karnataka Onion Growers Co-operative Society (NKOCS)
- (ix) West Bengal Essential Commodities Supply Corporation (WBECSC) Ltd., Kolkata
- (x) M.P. State Agro Industries Development Corporation (MPSAIDC), Bhopal
- (xi) Karnataka State Produce Processing and Export Corporation (KAPPEC), Bangalore
- (xii) Madhya Pradesh State Co-operative Oil Seeds Growers Federation Ltd.,
- (xiii) The Andhra Pradesh Marketing Federation (AP MARKFED),

(c) The Department of Commerce does not maintain the agency-wise data. However, the quantum of onion exported and imported during each of the last three years and the current year (upto June, 2013), is given as under:-

Export of onions

Quantity in MTs.  
Rupees in crore

2010-11		2011-12		2012-13		Apr-June'13#	
Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
11,82,990	1,780.26	13,11,306	1723.81	16,63,805	1964.00	5,11,616	776.47

Source: DGCI&S & #NHRDF

Import of onions

Quantity in MTs.  
Rupees in crore

2010-11		2011-12		2012-13		Apr-June'13#	
Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
12,506	30.71	13	0.07	450	0.30	N.A	N.A

Source: DGCI&S & #NHRDF N.A – Not Available