

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2759
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GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION FOR SPECIAL PADDY
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether special paddy produced in many States is registered under geographical indication;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh had submitted any proposal to the Union Government for registration of paddy of a special variety under the geographical indication; and;
- (d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Pokkali Rice, Navara Rice and Palakkadan Matta Rice produced in Kerala have been registered as Geographical Indications under the Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Act, 1999.
- (c) : No, Madam.
- (d) : The question does not arise.