GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2762 ANSWERED ON:07.12.2009 FINANCIAL PROBLEMS IN COFFEE INDUSTRY Gowda Shri D.V. Sadananda

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

- (a) the measures being taken by the Government to help the coffee industry from financial distress; and
- (b) the steps being taken by the Government to reduce debt burden of coffee growers and the outcome thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): In order to help the coffee industry and growers, the Government is implementing a number of plan schemes during the 11th plan period, which, inter-alia, include extending financial assistance. Various measures taken by the Government to help the coffee industry from financial distress included implementation of various relief packages/ schemes like Special Coffee Term Loan, Special Coffee Relief Package, Prime Minister's Relief Package for debt stressed farmers and Agriculture Debt Waiver and Relief Scheme.