## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

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EXPORT OF INSECTICIDES AND CHEMICALS
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## Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a huge demand from various countries including European Union and Japan for agro based, herbal including neem based insecticides and other chemicals;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the quantum and value of such insecticides and chemicals exported from the country during each of the last three years and the current year, country and item-wise; and
- (d) the measures taken by the Government to boost their export?

## **Answer**

## THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a)& (b) Yes, Madam. Commensurate with the growing awareness of organic farming there is an increasing demand for various agro based, herbal including neem based insecticides from various countries. India is 5th largest exporter of pesticides in the world, and its major export markets include Latin America, USA, Europe, Japan etc.
- (c) Details of such insecticides and chemicals exported from the country during each of the last three years, item-wise for major countries is annexed. During the current year (April 2014 to January 2015), the exports of such products were to the tune of US\$1610.05 million.
- (d) Government provides assistance in various forms which, inter-alia, includes Market Access Initiative assistance for participation in exhibitions/Buyer Seller Meet and overseas registration of agrochemicals. Export only Registration for Bio Pesticides based on limited data/dossier has also been introduced.