

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

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Rejection of Food Item by USA

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

- a) whether India is the leading country in exporting readymade food item to the United States of America (USA);
- b) if so, the details thereof indicating the quantum and value of food items exported to USA during each of the last three years;
- c) whether the Food and Drug Administration of USA (USFDA) had banned import of several food items from India during the period from January 2015 to May 2015;
- d) if so, the details thereof along with the manufacturers of such food items in India;
- e) whether the said food items banned by USA are being sold and consumed in India and if so, the reasons therefor; and
- f) the corrective measures taken by the Government to get the said ban lifted and to protect indigenous manufacturers from its impact?

Answer

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

(a) As per the information compiled by the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), based on UNCOMTRADE data, India ranks 8th among the countries exporting processed food items to USA.

(b) Data on quantum and value of processed food items exported to USA during each of the last three years is at Annexure-I.

(c) The Government has no information of any country-wide formal ban on any processed food item by the Food & Drug Administration of USA (USFDA) during the period January 2015 to May 2015.

(d) to (f) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

Annexure-I

India's Export of Processed Food Products to USA

Quantity in MT; Value in USD Million

	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Product	Qty	Value	Qty Value Qty Value
Guargum	242603.46	3180.85	332247.36 1444.87 384776.4 1148.6
Natural Honey	22280.04	57.25	23599.1 62.35 24419.32 72.21
Cereal Preparations	42518.26	74.42	40147.52 70.22 42511.22 81.98
Miscellaneous Preparations	25733.7	46.82	28412.75 52.98 27419.19 62.86
Other Processed Fruits & Vegetables	32701.15	47.33	28055.63 51.37 32477.55 55.47
Cocoa Products	1219.38	3.64	3061.35 16.99 4565.65 31.49
Cucumber and Gherkins(Prepd. & Presvd)	49884.72	36.17	32302.86 25.96 42272.2 37.77
Milled Products	24448.6	12.88	29367.15 17.17 34316.31 20.54
Dried & Preserved Vegetables	6562.72	12.12	3889.07 9.06 6248.15 13.31
Jaggery & Confectionery	4428.16	4.29	4458.28 5.29 6336.09 7.26
Fruits & Vegetables Seeds	141.95	6.99	173.65 7.16 85.03 8.87
Alcoholic Beverages	2596.21	2.66	1628.49 2.32 1476.43 1.91
Dairy Products	845.52	3.89	743.3 4.92 552.25 2.85
Poultry Products	2005.86	0.17	10.34 0.05 1889.81 0.15
Total	457969.73	3489.48	528096.85 1770.71 609345.6 1545.27

Source: APEDA/DGCI&S
