

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

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Export/Import of Flowers

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

- a) the quantum and value of flowers exported and imported during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise; and
- b) the efforts being made by the Government to boost export of flowers?

**Answer**

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

(a) The quantum and value of flowers exported and imported during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise is at Annexure-I.

(b) The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), under the administrative control of the Department of Commerce is implementing a Plan scheme titled "Agriculture export promotion Plan Scheme" comprising various components namely; i) Infrastructure Development, ii) Quality Development, iii) Market Development and iv) Transport Assistance under which assistance is provided to its registered exporters.

Center for Perishable Cargo (CPC) have been set-up at major airports like Delhi, Mumbai, Cochin, Chennai, Bangalore, Thiruvananthapuram, Kolkata, Amritsar, Bagdogra, Goa and Nasik for maintaining cold chain. APEDA has also set-up flower auction cum market facilitation centres at Bangalore, Mumbai, Noida for providing a readymade market centre for trading and price discovery of variety of flowers for export. Also, exports of flowers are eligible for an incentive of 5% under the Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS).

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