

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Share of States in Spice Industry

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

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the share of each State in the spice trade of the country including Andhra Pradesh;
(b) if so, the details thereof State-wise and if not, the reasons therefor;
(c) the facilities extended by the Government to foreign business people who pay a visit to spice hubs in Andhra Pradesh; and
(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure growth of domestic spice industry?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): The state wise data of exports are not maintained. However, as per available information, the share of major spice producing states including Andhra Pradesh in production is given in annexure.
(c): Government provides through the Spices Board and the Spice Exports Associations, assistance to foreign buyers/delegates visiting spice hubs, including Andhra Pradesh to highlight India's production and processing capabilities and quality assurance practices, and to sensitize them to market opportunities through field visits, interaction with local spice farmers/exporters, buyer seller meetings.
(d): Several programmes for development and production of spices such as area expansion, Integrated Pest Management (IPM), Integrated Nutrient Management (INM), organic farming, creation of water resources, micro irrigation, post-harvest management, development of market yards, Human Resource Development etc. are implemented through State Horticulture Mission under the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) of Government of India. Government also implements through the Spices Board various export development, post-harvest and quality improvement programmes for spices. Spices Board has also setup six quality evaluation labs for evaluating the quality of the spices to be exported.

Annexure

Statement showing Major state-wise area and production of spices in India

(Area in Ha, Prdn in Tons)

States 2010-2011 2011-2012 2012-2013(P) 2013-14 (ESTIMATE) 2014-15 (ADV.ESTIMATE)

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Andhra Pradesh 293813 1171353 366281 1370759 298288 1246693 169360 775820 200675 918018

Telangana 134170 551470 134168 551467

Gujarat 479721 792606 542414 882141 551665 882141 541810 848480 608852 1019963

Rajasthan 702417 670732 973493 950876 720645 860889 821504 674832 866868 618309

Karnataka 251207 660887 211462 423333 213750 370070 191772 333822.3 201788 332788

Tamil Nadu 143160 370505 162225 466448 124380 279674 165995 554509 107498 187901

Uttar Pradesh 56640 202956 61151 227031 60173 212305 61656 244022 58039 221711

West Bengal 114388 213533 115154 214665 97555 207662 97555 207720 97555 207775

Odisha 266910 498890 281610 530170 123924 181500 123324 181500 123324 181500

Kerala 252660 137862 170947 135041 166353 119689 166948 114049 167542 147644

Maharashtra 77067 303971 65515 357821 120760 109040 120760 109040 120760 109040

OTHERS 405600 909831 591552 766634 694975 1331451 550756 1238606 635019 1643263

TOTAL 3043583 5933126 3541804 6324920 3172468 5801114 3145610 5833870 3322088 6139379

(P): Provisional, (E): Estimate;

Source : State Agri/Horticulture Departments/DASD