

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TEA EXPORT
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made an assessment/estimation of tea likely to be exported to various countries including Pakistan over the next few years;
- (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- (c) the revenue likely to be generated therefrom, country-wise including Pakistan?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Based on the current trend of exports, area and productivity of tea cultivation in the country, exportable surplus after consumption, and potential of trade in the markets abroad, it is estimated that the likely volume of export of tea over next five years may be around 260 million kgs. The likely volume of export of tea to Pakistan may be around 30 million kg. against the current level of around 20 million kg.

(c): The estimated value of tea exports in 2019-20 at today's prices may be around Rs.5145 crores of which the value of exports to Pakistan may be around Rs.295 crores. While the current level of volume and value of tea exported to major countries is given in Annexure, no estimate of country-wise tea exports in future has been made.