

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3350
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EXPORT IMPORT OF GEMS JEWELLERY
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum and value of Gems and Jewellery exported/imported during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has set any target for export of the said commodities during the said period;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the achievement made in this regard; and
- (d) the measures taken by the Government to boost its export along with incentives/facilities provided to gems/ jewellery industry in this regard?

Answer

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

- a) The details of Gems and Jewellery exported/imported during the last three years and the current year as well as country-wise is at Annexure.
- b) No, Madam.
- c) Does not arise
- d) With a view to promote the Gems and Jewellery Sector, Government has taken a number of steps such as providing financial assistance for participation in international fairs, organizing buyer-seller meets etc. under Market Development Assistance (MDA) and Market Access Initiative (MAI) Schemes of the Department of Commerce. Government has also announced a number of measures in the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2009-14 to promote export of Gems and Jewellery such as permission to import diamonds on consignment basis for certification/grading & re-export by specified agencies, increasing the limit of personal carriage of Gems & Jewellery products in case of participation in overseas exhibitions and in case of export promotion tours etc.