

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:942
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EXCLUSION OF NATURAL RUBBER IN ASEAN
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to add natural rubber to exclusive/highly sensitive list under the ASEAN treaty;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard;
- (c) whether some difficulties/barriers have been faced by the Government in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to remove the difficulties?

Answer

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

- (a) No, Government does not propose to add natural rubber to exclusive/ highly sensitive list under the ASEAN Treaty because all marketed forms of Natural Rubber (NR) are already under the Exclusion List of India- ASEAN FTA.
- (b) to (d): No action is required.