

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5678
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02nd APRIL, 2018

TOBACCO TRADE

5678. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:
SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:
SHRI A. ANWHAR RAAJHAA:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM GAIKWAD:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- the details of total value and volume of tobacco trade generated from all tobacco products;
- whether the Government has captured data on the economic significance of trade in terms of generation of employment, boost to consumption of other products from earnings of tobacco trade;
- if so, the details thereof along with the details of the economic value generated by the tobacco trade and the estimated livelihood dependent on tobacco trade;
- the details of the permission given by the tobacco Board for production of Tobacco during each of the last three seasons and the current season; and
- the total production of tobacco by farmers during the said period?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सी. आर. चौधरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

- (a) The details of total value and volume of tobacco trade generated from all tobacco products for last 3 years and current year are as under:

(Qty in MT/ Value in Million USD)

Export	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18 (Till Jan-18)	
	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value
TOBACCO MANUFACTURED		278.61		316.68		324.31		276.20
TOBACCO UNMANUFACTURED	219572	680.01	215316	665.33	204447	634.38	151888	484.05
Total		958.62		982.01		958.69		760.25

Import	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18 (Till Jan-18)	
	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value
TOBACCO MANUFACTURED		32.76		29.74		34.07		25.08
TOBACCO UNMANUFACTURED	1930	15.90	2883	20.54	1969	11.47	1237	9.06
Total		48.66		50.28		45.54		34.14

(Source: DGCI&S)

- (b) & (c) No Madam. There is absence of reliable data on the economic significance of trade in terms of generation of employment, boost to consumption of other products from earnings of tobacco trade. However, as per the industry estimates, Indian tobacco industry provides livelihood of over 45.7 million people including farmers, farm labour, merchant traders, processors, manufacturers, wholesale and retailers across the supply chain.
- (d) The details of the crop size for FCV Tobacco decided by the Tobacco Board for production of FCV tobacco during each of last three seasons and the current season are as under: -

(Qty in Million Kg)

Crop season	Andhra Pradesh	Karnataka	Total
2014-15	172.00	104.00	276.00
2015-16	120.00	100.00	220.00
2016-17	130.00	95.00	225.00
2017-18 (Current Season)	136.00	99.00	235.00

(Source: Tobacco Board)

- (e) The total production of FCV tobacco by farmers during the above said period is as under:-

(Qty in Million Kg)

Crop season	Andhra Pradesh	Karnataka	Total
2014-15	190.05	103.40	293.45
2015-16	118.24	71.95	190.19
2016-17	105.35	98.72	204.07
2017-18* (Current Season)	124.93	106.12	231.05

(* estimated production) (Source: Tobacco Board)
