

**Rules for Vigilance in PSEs** *Public Sector*

1687. SHRI RAMKRISHNA BABA PATIL : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to formulate new set of rules with regard to vigilance for the Public Sector Enterprises; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH BADAL) : (a) and (b) Review of rules and guidelines governing vigilance matters in public sector enterprises is a continuous process. Recently, a model vigilance set up for PSUs has been recommended for adoption by the PSUs with

suitable modifications depending on their individual requirements.

**Production/Sale of Various Vehicles** *Auto. vehicles*

1688. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT :  
SHRI SAMAR CHOUDHURY :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state the total production and sales of passenger cars, trucks, two wheelers, three wheelers etc. during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT) : Total Production and Sales of various automotive vehicles during last 3 years were as under:

(in Nos.)

	1995-96		1996-97		1997-98	
	Prod.	Sales	Prod.	Sales	Prod.	Sales
Commercial vehicles	217437	215638	240551	235512	160998	156559
Cars	348240	345340	411145	411305	407453	416408
Multi Utility Vehicles	106251	104260	134583	134641	134613	133712
Two Wheelers	2656017	2658288	2979227	2963489	3072667	3044074
Three Wheelers	176413	177055	221619	220436	234867	233733

**Export of Fruits and Vegetables** *S.S. - 108*

1689. SHRI GORDHANBHAI JADAVBHAI JAVIYA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether fruits and vegetables are being exported from the country particularly from Gujarat;

(b) if so, the amount and the quantity of fruits and vegetables exported during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government have announced certain incentive to promote export of fruits and vegetables during the current year; and

(d) if so, the details of such incentives?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE) : (a) Fruits and Vegetables are exported from the country. However, the export data is not maintained on a state-wise basis.

(b) The quantity and value of fruits and vegetables exported during the last three years are as follows:—

Year	Fresh Vegetables		Fresh Fruits	
	Quantity (MTs)	Value (Rs. crores)	Quantity (Mts)	Value (Rs. crores)
1995-96	434401	301.19	109704	229.96
1996-97	498863	341.16	217753	241.17
1997-98	NA	319.45	NA	268.98

Source: DGCI&S, Calcutta/APEDA)

(c) and (d) The Government has been providing assistance and taken various measures to promote exports of horticulture products such as fruits and vegetables which are continued during the current year also. These steps include:—

- (i) Provision of assistance for raising small and large nurseries for production of good quality planting material, upgradation of technical knowhow of farmers through demonstrations, trainings and publicity, rejuvenation of old orchards, area expansion, supply of minikits for vegetables, improving productivity and training of farmers under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Integrated Development of Tropical, Temperate and Arid Zone fruits;
- (ii) Provision of soft loans for setting up of grading/processing centres, auction platforms, ripening/curing chambers and quality testing equipment;
- (iii) Providing financial assistance to exporters/growers/Cooperative Societies for development of infrastructural facilities such as purchase of specialised transport units, establishment of pre cooling/cold storage facilities, integrated post-harvest handling systems (pack houses);
- (iv) Grant of financial assistance for improved packaging, and strengthening of quality control including adoption of latest ISO 9000/HACCP systems at export units;

(v) Grant of air freight subsidy for export of selected fresh vegetables and fresh fruits;

(vi) Establishment of vapour heat treatment facilities for improving the acceptability of the product especially mangoes in overseas markets. Research efforts are on for the use of modern technologies such as Controlled/Modified Atmosphere technologies in transportation for increasing the shelf-life of perishable products;

(vii) Arranging promotional campaigns such as buyer-seller meets and participation in important international fairs and exhibitions;

(viii) Setting up of integrated cargo handling and cold storage facilities at various International Airports for handling export of perishable items such as fresh fruits and vegetables;

(ix) Providing technical advisory services and other support services to, trade and industry including training of farmers for export production, quality control packaging, transport, etc.

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1690. SHRI RAMCHANDRA VEERAPPA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state: