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RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON 21/07/2023

EXPORT OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

170. SHRI RAGHAV CHADHA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE & INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and respective value of export of agricultural products from the State of Punjab since the year 2017, year-wise;
- (b) whether export of agricultural products from Punjab saw a dip of \$567 million between 2017-18 and 2021-22, while it rose in neighbouring States during the same period or not;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by Government to increase the export of agricultural products from Punjab?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

- (a) The details of export of agricultural products from the State of Punjab, from the year 2017-18 onwards, are at Annexure.
- (b) & (c) There was a dip in the export of agriculture products from Punjab in 2021-22, primarily due to decline in export of Basmati rice. However, during 2022-23, a growth of 25.75% has been registered in export of agriculture products from Punjab.
- (d) Promotion of exports of agriculture products is a continuous process. The Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), a statutory body under the administrative control of Department of Commerce, has been providing financial assistance to its registered exporters, including from Punjab, under components such as Development of Export Infrastructure, Quality Development and Market Development under its scheme namely "Agriculture & Processed Food Export Promotion Scheme of APEDA". APEDA assists exporters in promoting exports by organising buyer-seller meets (BSMs); participation in international trade fairs and exhibitions; taking up the Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS),

Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) and Market Access issues with the importing countries; and regular interactions with the Indian Missions to tap export opportunities in various countries. APEDA had organized a virtual Buyer-Seller Meet with Punjab Agri Export Corporation (PAGREXCO) and western region exporters for the supply of kinnow (a high yield hybrid variety of mandarin orange from Punjab), moringa, honey etc. in February 2022.

Further, nine Export Promotion Forums (EPFs) for rice, banana, grapes, mango, onion, dairy products, nutri-cereals, pomegranate and floriculture have been set up under the aegis of APEDA. The EPFs strive to identify and anticipate developments pertaining to production and exports of these products, reach out to stakeholders across the entire production/ supply chain of exports and make recommendations for necessary policy interventions and other measures to promote exports.

Farmer Producer Organizations (FPO) have been established for the purpose of leveraging collective economies of scale in the production and marketing of agriculture and related products. This helps lower the average cost of production, hence increasing competitiveness in foreign markets.

EXPORT OF AGRICULTURE PRODUCTS FROM PUNJAB							
	Values in USD million						
COMMODITY	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24 (Apr-May)
RICE -BASMOTI	991.14	912.95	874.13	715.16	502.98	739.76	123.68
BUFFALO MEAT	287.11	231.49	173.82	185.01	158.90	146.01	25.02
RICE(OTHER THAN BASMOTI)	73.74	48.24	29.48	55.91	72.71	85.79	11.87
CEREAL PREPARATIONS	37.35	37.97	32.20	35.81	55.00	67.32	12.26
DAIRY PRODUCTS	41.39	44.01	32.66	29.21	49.77	58.79	9.92
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	18.07	12.68	8.23	17.97	20.14	34.42	9.84
MISC PROCESSED ITEMS	5.82	11.42	13.56	16.45	21.55	22.98	3.34
SPICES	48.71	59.24	44.22	24.66	16.55	17.29	2.42
VEGETABLE OILS	0.19	0.44	0.67	3.38	2.54	7.38	2.86
MOLLASES	0.28	0.30	3.91	9.31	15.92	6.94	3.63
AYUSH AND HERBAL PRODUCTS	4.74	8.03	7.47	7.65	5.00	5.77	0.77
COTTON RAW INCLD. WASTE	6.83	7.22	7.03	7.48	6.55	5.20	0.58
FRESH FRUITS	0.61	1.32	3.78	16.18	17.06	4.09	1.14
FRUITS / VEGETABLE SEEDS	2.95	3.37	3.76	6.51	4.71	3.72	0.38
SUGAR	1.03	1.13	16.51	11.14	5.89	3.67	3.74
FRESH VEGETABLES	4.75	4.86	4.84	4.73	3.52	3.24	0.54
PULSES	0.23	0.30	0.08	0.25	2.42	3.00	0.30
SHELLAC	1.39	2.34	2.51	4.23	5.17	2.70	0.03
ANIMAL CASINGS	0.21	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.39	2.26	0.21
MILLED PRODUCTS	0.72	0.66	0.58	1.46	1.36	1.80	0.03
PROCESSED FRUITS AND JUICES	0.75	0.83	0.86	1.45	1.96	1.66	0.51
PROCESSED VEGETABLES	2.54	2.47	2.86	3.46	2.17	1.39	0.32
OTHER CEREALS	0.58	0.22	0.92	0.32	0.22	1.25	0.08
CASHEW	1.42	1.15	0.97	1.32	1.59	1.07	0.01
OIL MEALS	0.48	3.01	0.00	0.04	0.50	0.79	0.38
TOBACCO MANUFACTURED	0.33	0.38	1.23	1.29	1.96	0.32	0.01
POULTRY PRODUCTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.13
TEA	0.30	0.27	0.22	0.38	0.26	0.29	0.07
COCOA PRODUCTS	0.49	0.23	0.04	0.03	0.22	0.25	0.08
SESAME SEEDS	0.03	0.01	0.07	0.02	0.01	0.17	0.07
MARINE PRODUCTS	0.02	0.06	0.00	0.24	0.45	0.16	0.02
OTHER OIL SEEDS	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.10	0.01
WHEAT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.27	0.09	0.00
GROUNDNUT	1.64	0.25	0.47	0.27	0.34	0.08	0.00
COFFEE	0.16	0.03	0.12	0.23	0.02	0.02	0.00
GUERGAM MEAL	0.95	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
NATURAL RUBBER	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CASTOR OIL	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FLORICLTR PRODUCTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PROCESSED MEAT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SHEEP/GOAT MEAT	8.25	5.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02
TOBACCO UNMANUFACTURED	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00
	1545.25	1402.41	1267.34	1161.60	978.14	1230.08	214.24

Source: DGCI&S

Note: State-wise export data are compiled by DGCIS on the basis of State Codes reported by the exporters, which are not validated by DGCIS.
