

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 299
ANSWERED ON 04/02/2025

EXPORT OF PARBOILED AND NON PARBOILED RICE

299. SHRI C N ANNADURAI:
SHRI NAVASKANI K:
SHRI SELVAM G:

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

- (a) whether the Government is exporting Basmati, Parboiled Rice and Non-Parboiled Rice during the last three years and if so, the details of the total volume and value of rice exported during the such period;
- (b) the contribution of States to rice exports, particularly the role of major rice producing States including Tamil Nadu;
- (c) the measures are being implemented to ensure that Indian rice meets international quality standards;
- (d) whether the Government has taken steps to explore new markets for rice exports and if so, the details thereof of such initiatives; and
- (e) the details of steps taken by the Government to provide any subsidies or financial assistance to rice exporters along with the details of such schemes and the beneficiaries?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जितिन प्रसाद)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) & (b) Yes, export of Basmati Rice, Parboiled Rice and Non-Parboiled Rice has taken place from India in the last three years. The Government maintains record of total rice exports from India. The details of the total volume and value of rice exported from India, including that from Tamil Nadu, during this period, are as under:

Product	USD Million			Qty in MT		
	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Basmati Rice	3540	4788	5837	3948161	4558972	5242048
Non Parboiled Rice	3353	3362	1299	9809383	9940207	3545781
Rice Parboiled	2771	2994	3271	7452852	7845886	7570753
Total	9665	11143	10407	21210396	22345065	16358582

Source: DGCIS

(c) The government is taking a number of measures to ensure that Indian rice meets international quality standards. At the production level, sensitization and capacity building of the stakeholders undertaken through workshops, seminars, trainings through ICAR institutes/State Agriculture Universities/State Agricultural departments for judicious use of Agro-chemicals and meeting the requirement of importing countries.

Where testing requirements are stipulated by importing countries, exporters are provided assistance for setting up of in-house laboratories for conducting general quality tests. For specific quality testing requirements prescribed by certain importing countries, a network of NABL accredited laboratories have been recognized for facilitating requisite testing of rice being exported.

(d) India is the leading exporter of rice in the world and is presently exporting rice to 169 countries. The industry is further supported by organizing participation of exporters in key international trade events and other promotional activities like Buyer-seller meets, trade delegation visits, branding campaigns etc. to explore opportunities in new markets.

(e) The Department of Commerce, through the Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) provides financial assistance to Exporters of its scheduled products, including of Rice, and other key stakeholders namely Agro-food testing Laboratories, Agriculture Universities, Research Institutions, State Government etc. under the following components:

- I. Development of Export Infrastructure.
- II. Quality Development.
- III. Market Development.

The details of Agriculture and Processed Foods Export Promotion Scheme of APEDA are available at

https://apeda.gov.in/apedawebsite/Announcements/FAS_Guidelines_05102021.pdf?v=1
