

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 03
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07th DECEMBER, 2022

EXPORT OF BROKEN RICE

03. SHRIMATI KAVITHA MALOTHU:
DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:
SHRI VENKATESH NETHA BORLAKUNTA:

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

- (a) whether it is not true that there has been a huge demand for broken rice in the international market due to geo-political reasons;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also not true that export of broken rice has increased by more than 40 times in the last four years and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether 21.03 lakh tonnes of broken rice was exported between April-August, 2022; and
- (e) if so, the reasons for banning broken rice exports from the country?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती अनुप्रिया पटेल)

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

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. There has been sudden increase in demand for Indian broken rice in the international market due to geo-political reasons. India's exports of broken rice have increased from 17.86 Lakh MT in 2021-22(April- September) to 23.82 Lakh MT in 2022-23 (April - September) registering a growth of 33.37%.

(c): No Sir. The export of broken rice from India has increased about three times in the last four years i.e from 12.21 Lakh MT in 2018-19 to 38.90 Lakh MT in 2021-22 in volume and in value terms i.e USD 369.58 Million in 2018-19 to USD 1132.94 Million in 2021-22. However,

export of broken rice witnessed a decline in 2019-20 due to the pandemic and domestic policies of major importing countries in Africa. The details are given in the Table below: -

Year	Quantity in MT	Value in Million USD
2018-19	12,21,617	369.58
2019-20	2,70,338	82.48
2020-21	20,64,562	595.69
2021-22	38,90,866	1132.94
2021-22 (April-September)	17,86,435	516.89
2022-23 * (April-September)	23,81,657	764.81

Source: DGCIS, Kolkata.

* Figures for 2022-23 are provisional and subject to change.

(d): A total of 21.64 Lakh MT of broken rice was exported from India during the period between April-August in 2022.

(e): Broken rice is majorly used for ethanol production and as poultry & cattle feed. As evident from Table at Para-(c) above, there has been sudden rise in demand for Indian broken rice due to geo-political situation around. Further, as per the first Advance Estimates for 2022-23, released by Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Department of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, the production of rice is estimated to be lower than the target fixed for the current year. Therefore, in order to ensure adequate availability of broken rice in domestic market, the Government has prohibited export of broken rice w.e.f 9th September, 2022.
