

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6614  
ANSWERED ON:10.05.2005  
SUBSIDY ON CASH CROPS  
Thomas Shri P.C.

**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether export subsidy is being given for the Export of Natural Rubber;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government is considering such subsidy for other cash crops particularly pepper, cardamom and other spices?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY ( SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGO VAN)

(a) & (b): Presently no export subsidy is being given for the export of Natural Rubber.

(c): No, Sir. However, Spices Board is providing an air freight subsidy for cardamom procured from auction centers for the purpose of export to Middle East destinations.