

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3144
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PRICE OF CASHEW KERNEL
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has noticed the downfall of prices of Cashew Kernel exported from India during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details of price level and foreign exchange earned therefrom during the above period; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to arrest the price fall and save the domestic industry?

Answer

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

(a) and (b) The average unit export price of cashew kernel and the value of exports for the last three years and during the first three months of the current year are as follows:

Year Average unit export price(Rs./kg.) Value of exports(US\$ million)

2002-03	185.62	401.11
2003-04	178.96	392.78
2004-05	213.89	602.98
April 2005	225.08	54.31
May 2005	229.51	59.77
June 2005	227.55	54.52

(Source: CEPC)

(c) Does not arise.