

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF SPICES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the production of each spice recorded in the country during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to promote the production of spices and create awareness for the said production among the farmers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a): Production of spices in the country as per available information is given in the annexure.

(b): For increasing production of spices, several development programme are being implemented under the National Horticulture Mission such as, area expansion, integrated pest management, organic farming, transfer of technology programmes, production of nucleus planting materials of high yielding and export oriented varieties of spices specific to different agro climatic conditions and their further multiplication and distribution through State Department nurseries. For enhancing the awareness among farmers, dissemination of information through seminars, workshops and training programmes is being undertaken.

ANNEXURE

(Production: `000 tonnes)

Spices 2001-02 2002-03 2003-04

Pepper	62.44	72.47	73.35
Ginger	317.90	277.00	297.74
Chillies	1069.00	894.60	1239.25
Turmeric	562.80	522.20	521.90
Cardamom	17.80	15.50	14.65
Garlic	386.30	468.31	694.32
Coriander	319.40	174.31	376.05
Cumin	206.42	134.76	134.76
Fennel	38.53	27.78	27.78
Fenugreek	136.64	64.22	64.22
Other Seeds	22.84	9.62	9.62
Clove	1.05	1.37	1.81
Nutmeg	1.99	2.18	2.53
Tamarind	184.40	182.34	179.31
Tejpat/Cinnamon	16.29	16.27	16.28
Others	0.06	0.10	0.14
Total	3343.80	2863.04	3653.70