

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1772
ANSWERED ON:10.12.2004
TOBACCO PROCUREMENT
Badiga Shri Ramakrishna

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

- (a) whether the Tobacco Board proposed to procure Tobacco direct from the farmers of Andhra Pradesh for export purposes;
- (b) if so, the Tobacco procured during each of the last three years and exported;
- (c) the tobacco likely to be procured during the current year;
- (d) the benefits therefrom extended to the farmers/tobacco growers;
- (e) whether the Government has received a proposal from State Government of tobacco producing State seeking approval for the sale of entire tobacco produced in their respective State without imposing penalty on the farmers; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) to (d) Do not arise.
- (e) No, Sir.
- (f) Does not arise.