

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

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SUBSIDY FOR SMALL TEA GROWERS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government introduced price subsidy scheme for small tea growers for a period of four months; and
- (b) if so, the number of growers benefitted under the scheme alongwith the funds spent for this purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The Price Subsidy Scheme for small tea growers was introduced for a 4-month period i.e. from February to May 2004. A total number of about 47,888 growers benefitted from the scheme and an amount of Rs. 20.54 crores was disbursed as subsidy.