

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
LOK SABHA**

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EXPORT OF HERBS  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

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- (a) The value of herbs exported from the country ;
  - (b) The names of countries to which the same were exported ;
  - (c) The steps taken by the Government to export the processed herbal medicines ; and
  - (d) The extent to which the Government has achieved success in this direction ?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

- (a) As per information received from PHARMEXCIL the value of herbs exported from the country is as under :-

Year	Value (Rs. in Lacs)
1.4.2003 to 31.3.2004	51,655
1.4.2004 to 31.3.2005	72,681

- (b) Herbs are exported from India to USA, European Union, Ireland, Other European Countries, Russia, UAE, China, Pakistan etc.

(c)&(d) Efforts are being made to further increase the export by registering more and more AYUSH products in the importing countries. Department of Commerce provides financial assistance to the Export Promotion Councils under the Market Access Initiative Scheme for the registration of products abroad, and also under the Market Development Assistance to industry and trade through Export Promotion Councils (EPCs) for activities like participation in Trade Fairs, Exhibitions, Buyer/seller meets, Trade Delegations etc.

The efforts have helped increase the export of Herbs by over 40.7% during 2004-05 over the previous year. The export figures have gone up from Rs. 51,655 lacs in 2003-04 to Rs.72,681 lacs in 2004-05.