

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

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SPICE BOARD FOR CHILLIES
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a proposal to create a separate board like spices board for Chillies to enhance export opportunities; and
- (b) if so, steps taken by the Government for creating a separate board for the export and nurturing of Chillies grown in Karnataka and other States?

Answer

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

a) : No, Sir.

b) : The Spices Board has opened Regional Offices in Secunderabad, Guntur and Paderu in Andhra Pradesh. The Board has also proposed to increase the outlay for various chillies development programmes including enhancing exports in their XI Five Year Plan proposal for all chillies growing states including Karnataka.