

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

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EXPORT OF GUAR GUM PRODUCTS  
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the international demand for Guar Gum products;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the quantum and value of Guar Gum products exported from the country during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise; and
- (c) the measures taken by the Government to boost export of such products and for educating farmers for increasing production of guar in the country for earning more foreign exchange?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) Details of guar gum exported during the last three years is as follows:-

Sl. No.	Year	Quantity (In MT)	Value (In USD Million)
1.	2011-12	707326	3354.88
2.	2012-13	406311	3919.00
3.	2013-14	601961	1979.63
4.	2014-15	534491	1292.70

(Apr-Dec 2014)

(c) In recognition of the importance of guar gum as a potential export item, Department of Commerce (DoC) has entrusted Technology Information Forecasting and Assessment Council (TIFAC) to make a comprehensive study. TIFAC in its report submitted in January 2015 made recommendations relating to crop management for better yield, introduce technology for value-addition and the need for finding new applications. DoC is closely working with the industry representatives, farmers and the concerned Government agencies to identify steps for enhancing of guar gum produce/ yield and boosting of exports.