



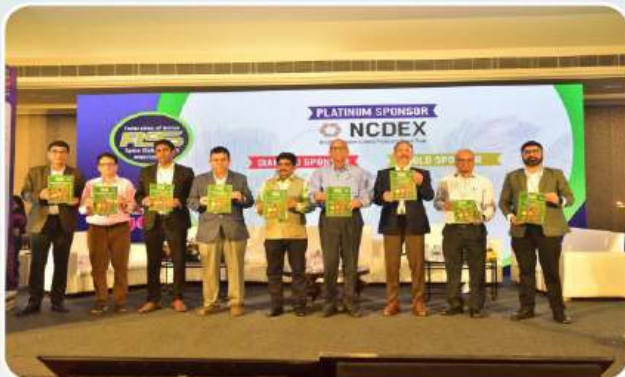
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THE THEME OF THE YEAR "SOIL TO SOUL CONNECTING THE SPICE INDUSTRY"



Theme of the year “Soil to Soul Connecting the Spice Industry”

From the Chairman's desk



Dear Colleagues

Wishing you all Happy Navratri, Gudi Padwa, Cheti Chand and Eid Mubarak

The 9th Annual trade meet at Goa on 07th & 08th March, 2025 was indeed an event filled with informative sessions and an enlightening award ceremony.

I would like to thank the Trustees and the board of Directors of the Federation for the trust in me, to lead this great organization. It is indeed an honour and privilege to be at the helm of the affairs of the organization. An organization that is taking the lead to cater to the needs of the Spice Industry that is facing numerous challenges.

FISS is one of India's fastest growing & vibrant organization. I have had the honour of working with every Chairman till date and from the experiences gathered from them, during my tenure I shall leave no stone unturned in my efforts to take the organization to new highs.

A special Thanks to our Founder Trustee Shri Yogeshbhai Mehta, who gave me an opportunity to serve the Organisation as founder secretary in 2016. The journey so far, for the Federation been excellent one. The trustees and the Board have really worked hard to bring name and fame to FISS. Our aim is to strive harder as sky is the limit for us.

The challenges of the 21st century for the Spice industry are very daunting. Especially the pesticides issues, be it the FSSAI norms in the domestic market or the rules & regulations of the international trade. India is the largest producer and exporter of Spices in the world. We control about 70% of the international spice trade and I personally feel that we ought to raise our voice and our concerns at the international level and set reasonable levels of pesticides MRLs in order for the trade to run smoothly. It will be my topmost priority, to engage with all stakeholders and find an amicable solution to the pesticides issue and I hope to gather support from other like-minded organisations. Other challenges relating to Good agricultural practices, we will co-ordinate with the govt. and Spices Board and organize farmers' programmes.

We will arrange to conduct seminars and webinars for the trade on topics of interest that would benefit one and all. We shall support new ideas and startups that would give a boost to the “Make in India” – a dream project of our beloved Prime Minister. We shall also pitch for a “Seed Spices Board” to be formed so that our issues can be addressed in a more effective and efficient way.

During the 9th annual meet in Goa, I had introduced a patron membership of the Federation on a first come first basis for 1st 50 members, and response has been tremendous. The patron members will get special benefits like 20% discount at all our events, membership fees waiver for 9(nine years), free registration for spouse on the first annual meeting of becoming patron member. Patron members will be given VIP treatment at all our events. And much more.... Please get in touch with us if you wish to enroll for the patron membership and avail exclusive benefits.

The Federation will celebrate 10 years of its establishment in 2026. Keeping this in mind our next annual meet will be held in the vibrant state of Gujarat – The land of Gandhi & Sardar Patel.

The Mid-term meet 2025 will be hoisted in Unjha.

I am pleased to announce the Theme of the year as “Soil to Soul Connecting the Spice Industry”

Looking forward to all your support in taking the Indian Spice Industry to new heights.

With best wishes

**Tejus Gandhi, Chairman,
Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders**

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Dear Colleagues

Wishing you Happy Navratri

I thank all the Trustees and Director for their overwhelming support in garnering Sponsorship, Advertisements, Delegate registrations for the just concluded 9th Annual Spice Meet in Goa. Delegates, sponsors & exhibitors came from all over India. For the first time we had exhibitor from Vietnam Korea.

My heartiest congratulation to all the top performer in Domestic and International Trade, Shri Neeraj Patel of Bright fame International – Visnagar for receiving the Young Entrepreneur Award For 2025, Shri. Jitubhai Adani – Adani Exports – Rajkot for receiving Life Time Achievement award for his immense contribution to the growth and development of Spice Trade, Shri Yogesh Mehta – Founder & CEO –Spice Exim Mumbai for being the mentor, guide and inspiration for setting up Federation and for being pioneer in Spice trade for more than 50 years and Shri Vishwa Mohan Kumar, Anchor, ET Now Swadesh for the Media Award for being the Young and Budding Journalist

The new dispensation in US, Tariff war, geo-political conflicts, trade and non-trade barriers are cause of concern to the Spice, Agro-Products and other exports from India.

I request all to adhere to the MRL norms set by the importing countries, comply with the terms and conditions of the goods as per the PO.

Please do not ever indulge in adulteration which is posing significant health risks, leading to economic and social consequences and damaging the reputation of the country

There have been many incidents of fraud committed by importers by manipulating the BL, etc and clearing the goods exported without payment and vanishing especially from Middle Eastern country, I strongly suggest that before exporting please ensure to check the credibility of the importers, his past business dealing, check with the office of the Chamber of Commerce & Indian Embassy in the particular country to verify their authenticity

We look forward to your continuous co-operation and support for advancing the objective of the Federation which will boost the Spice trade eco-system and exports.

With warm regards

Ashwin Nayak

FISS Founder Chairman and Chairman of International Trade Committee

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	Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders, Unjha, Gujarat
	Trustees and Board of Directors for the year 2024-25
	Trustees
1	Shri Pukhraj Chopra
2	Shri Yogesh Mehta Head of Committee on Seed Spice Board
3	Shri Ashvin Patel
4	Shri Mayur Mehta – Head Farmers Program
5	Shri Suresh Chandarana
	Board of Directors
1	Shri Tejus Gandhi, Chairman
2	Shri U Karthik, Co-Chairman Federation
3	Shri Ajay Goyal Hon’ Secretary, Federation
4	Shri Ashwin Nayak, Founder & Chairman International Trade
5	Shri Sameer Shah – Director International Trade
6	Shri Mitesh Kumar Patel, Chairman APMC Drive
7	Shri Devendra Patel, Chairman Crop Survey
8	Shri Sitaram Patel – Treasurer
9	Shri Ligneshkumar Narayanbhai Patel, Jt. Treasurer
10	Shri Neeraj Patel Co-ordinator Govt. Dept
11	Shri Vinay Patel, Chairman Regional Meet
12	Shri Vijay Joshi – Director Media coordinator
13	Shri Tarun Patel – Director Media
14	Shri Pratik Adhiya, Chairman Membership Drive
15	Shri Faisal Sorathia – Jt. Secretary Membership Drive
16	Shri Hasmukh Patel, Membership Drive
17	Shri Rohit Sharma, Membership Drive
18	Shri Kishore Shah Zone Chairman South East Region
19	Shri Chirag Kumar Patel, Zone Chairman North West Region
20	Shri Hardik Shah, Membership Drive Maharashtra Region & Newsletter Publication
21	Shri Bimal Rameshbhai Patel Co-ordinator All Gujarat APMC
22	Shri Hardik Patel
23	Shri Karan Ganatra
24	Shri Chintan Kanabar
25	Shri Dhaval kumar Jitendrakumar Patel
26	Shri Himanshu Raiyani,
27	Shri Suresh Kumar Soni
28	Shri Ganeshan Pillai, Director General

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SEED SPICE EXPORT QUANTITY DEC 2025

TOTAL EXPORT (CUMIN SEED/POWDER) FEB 2025					
MONTH (2022/2023)	EX- PORT(MT)	MONTH (2023/2024)	EX- PORT(MT)	MONTH (2024- 2025)	EX- PORT(MT)
MARCH 2022	13597 MT	MARCH 2023	20148 MT	MARCH 2024	33230 MT
APRIL 2022	10475 MT	APRIL 2023	17169 MT	APRIL 2024	41185 MT
MAY 2022	15639 MT	MAY 2023	25975 MT	MAY 2024	22885 MT
JUNE 2022	20345 MT	JUNE 2023	9829 MT	JUNE 2024	16810 MT
JULY 2022	20345 MT	JULY 2023	7994 MT	JULY 2024	20217 MT
AUGUST 2022	24439 MT	AUGUST 2023	7640 MT	AUGUST 2024	14372 MT
SEPTEMBER 2022	16978 MT	SEPTEMBER 2023	7196 MT	SEPTEMBER 2024	17433 MT
OCTOBER 2022	11508 MT	OCTOBER 2023	7627 MT	OCTOBER 2024	17455 MT
NOVEMBER 2022	11685 MT	NOVEMBER 2023	9712 MT	NOVEMBER 2024	13930 MT
DECEMBER 2022	12100 MT	DECEMBER 2023	13725 MT	DECEMBER 2024	20278 MT
JANUARY 2023	9325 MT	JANUARY 2024	14094 MT	JANUARY 2025	18079 MT
FEBRUARY 2023	13117 MT	FEBRUARY 2024	13585 MT	FEBRUARY 2025	13958 MT
TOTAL EXPORT (MARCH 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023)	EXPORT 1,79,553 MT (CUMIN BAG 55 KG = 32,64,600 LAKH BAGS EXPORT)	TOTAL EXPORT (MARCH 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2024)	EXPORT 1,54,694 MT (CUMIN BAG 55 KG = 28,12,618 LAKH BAGS EXPORT)	TOTAL EXPORT (MARCH 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2024)	EXPORT 2,49,832 MT (CUMIN BAG 55 KG = 45,42,400 LAKH BAGS EXPORT)

Export Data in Metric Ton	Jan-21	Jan-22	Jan-23	Jan-24
Cumin seed	12,967.01	13,428.59	8,049.17	13,231.19
Fennel Seed	1,541.34	1,468.66	2,167.91	3,752.14
Coriander	3,923.97	2,461.90	3,548.63	6,225.32
Fenugreek seeds	2,540.82	2,097.54	2,094.80	2,201.91
	Feb-21	Feb-22	Feb-23	Feb-24
Cumin seed	16,023.68	12,620.09	11,362.19	11882.46
Fennel Seed	3,048.28	2,561.75	951.47	1990.59
Coriander	2,177.30	2,249.89	3,637.07	6577.43
Fenugreek seeds	3,259.24	1,921.46	2,075.10	3691.74
	Mar-21	Mar-22	Mar-23	Mar-24
Cumin seed	33,203.08	13,406.43	18,552.11	33250.41
Fennel Seed	5,894.67	1,580.99	938.64	1882.75
Coriander	4,717.10	3,076.23	11,477.52	8289.76
Fenugreek seeds	2,157.24	2,408.14	1,879.40	3682.4
	Apr-21	Apr-22	Apr-23	Apr-24
Cumin seed	30,274.23	9,561.19	16281.87	39182.42
Fennel Seed	6,429.75	1,971.89	6388.14	13396.75
Coriander	4,813.83	3,124.17	10300.26	6054.49
Fenugreek seeds	2,836.86	3,886.70	2272.85	3562.39
	May-21	May-22	May-23	May-24
Cumin seed	19,452.49	13,372.75	24,794.40	22280.95
Fennel Seed	4,491.72	3,042.27	9,832.53	9574.92
Coriander	3,168.27	3,047.77	24,389.01	5492.14
Fenugreek seeds	3,176.70	3,777.38	3,848.12	4202.87
	Jun-21	Jun-22	Jun-23	Jun-24
Cumin seed	28,650.05	19,534.38	10,411.13	16624.46
Fennel Seed	6,483.32	1,980.97	1,974.74	11044.09
Coriander	3,350.79	2,427.04	12,240.90	5482.71
Fenugreek seeds	2,243.63	3,330.71	1,702.06	4174.30
	Jul-21	Jul-22	Jul-23	Jul-24
Cumin seed	22,544.96	19,096.00	8,297.80	19082.13
Fennel Seed	3,334.63	1,474.77	1,153.54	7628.22
Coriander	3,163.20	2,267.78	10,473.45	4383.43
Fenugreek seeds	2,824.62	3,291.27	2,375.79	2430.88
	Aug-21	Aug-22	Aug-23	Aug-24
Cumin seed	15,631.39	23,477.82	8,081.60	14,496.15
Fennel Seed	2,215.12	1,551.81	1,229.95	4,543.50
Coriander	2,186.70	2,561.56	7,473.44	4,120.03
Fenugreek seeds	1,850.26	3,031.30	2,071.68	4,109.93
	Sep-21	Sep-22	Sep-23	Sep-24
Cumin seed	12,987.45	17,154.81	7190.83	16973.75
Fennel Seed	1,885.01	1,181.65	1395.47	6922.64
Coriander	2,462.69	2,463.62	4810.78	4465.92
Fenugreek seeds	2,610.96	2,698.96	1408.17	2869.85
	Oct-21	Oct-22	Oct-23	Oct-24
Cumin seed	9,352.20	11,700.55	7505.53	18081.38
Fennel Seed	1,881.96	1,188.55	1739.44	6643.85
Coriander	3,490.49	2,040.81	4916.84	4694.56
Fenugreek seeds	2,259.01	2,496.36	2498.75	3779.03
	Nov-21	Nov-22	Nov-23	Nov-24
Cumin seed	9,580.17	10,503.69	9026.95	12643.53
Fennel Seed	3,055.49	1,640.76	2573.95	3156.14
Coriander	3,079.69	2,350.66	4197.41	3949.11
Fenugreek seeds	1,966.25	2,145.53	2059.68	2901.79
	Dec-21	Dec-22	Dec-23	Dec-24
Cumin seed	10,981.05	11,794.50	13,403.06	19645.18
Fennel Seed	2,985.73	1,773.95	5,274.30	4524.19
Coriander	3,356.99	3,478.78	6,485.56	5295.02
Fenugreek seeds	3,706.45	1,860.29	2,729.71	3613.57

Courtesy: Data provided by Shri Devendra Patel, Director, Past Chairman, FISS

9th Annual Spice Trade Meet on 7th & 8th March 2025

The 9th Annual Spice Trade Meet on 7th & 8th March 2025 at The Holiday Inn (Goa), Mobor Beach, Cavelossim, South Goa, 403731

Shri Ashwin Nayak in his inaugural address welcomed the Dignitaries, speakers, panelist, Delegates, Sponsors and advertisers to the 9th Annual Spice Trade Meet and spoke about the evolution of the Federation which started in 2016 and now a force to reckon due its vibrant activities, representing the Farmers, Brokers, Trade, Exporters, Manufacturers at various forum at the appropriate level at the State and Central Govt.

Dr Homey Cherian, Director, Directorate of Arecanut & Spices Development inaugurated the Spice Meet followed by lighting of the lamp by the Chief Guest, dignitaries, guest of Honour among others.

Shri G. Chandrashekhar, Economist, Senior Editor and Policy Commentator, global agribusiness and commodities market specialist delivered the Key note address

Interactive Panel discussion w.r.t Area of cultivation, Yield, Production, effect of climatic changes, Domestic and International consumption and demand pattern, Market Volatility, Stock availability, Effect on usage of pesticides, Organic farming, Crop rotation and Farmers welfare.

Shri Mayur Mehta, Managing Editor, Commodity World, Shri Mrityunjay Kumar Jha, Commodity Editor, Zee Business, Shri Vishwa Mohan Kumar Anchor, ET Now Swadesh, Shri Pukhraj Chopra and Shri Niraj Patel moderated the Technical and Fundamental panel discussion on Coriander, Fennel, Fenugreek, Cumin, Turmeric and Chilly.

Shri Rishab Jain made a presentation on Cardamom.

Shri Prakash Namboodiri Associate BU Director, AB Mauri India Pvt Ltd gave a presentation on Chilly crop. Leading traders and exporters from Guntur shared their view on Chilli trade and its exports

Dr Paresh Shah, Chairman, FSSAI Scientific Panel on Pesticide Residues, Dr Homey Cherian, Director, Directorate of Arecanut & Spices Development and Dr N Ramesh Babu, Scientist Spices Board participated at the Panel Discussion on Pesticide Residue and other Quality issues in Spices - “Navigating the complex world of Spice Regulations and Compliance” Moderated by Shri Ramkumar Menon – Chairman, World Spice Organisation.

Ms Shruti Mehata of Bharatgodam Solutions LLP a start-up presented their tech-driven solutions which is transforming Agri-warehousing in India.

Shri. Venkatesh Sivaraman, Director Tablespoon Foods Pvt Ltd, Mumbai, made a Presentation - From Tradition to Trend: Branding Strategies for Indian Spice Market.

DC Associates, Beacon Insurance Brokers Pvt Ltd, Sesotec India Pvt Ltd and Buhler India Pvt Ltd and Fair North Advisory Group made their corporate presentation.

Award function

Federation rewarded and recognised the top performers in Domestic trade and in Exports for Fennel, Fenugreek, Coriander, Cumin and overall Seed spices category.

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DOMESTIC CATEGORY AWARDS FENUGREEK SEEDS

- a) FENUGREEK SEEDS RUNNERS UP. DHIRENDRA INTERNATIONAL – NEEMUCH.
- b) FENUGREEK SEEDS WINNER PATEL JIVRAM MADHAVJI - UNJA

DOMESTIC CATEGORY AWARDS CORIANDER SEEDS

- a) CORIANDER SEEDS – 2ND RUNNERS UP JABS INTERNATIONAL - MUMBAI
- b) CORIANDER SEEDS 1ST RUNNERS UP RAMANLAL MANIBHAI GROUP OF COMPANIES - RAMGANJMANDI
- c) CORIANDER SEEDS – WINNER SHREEJI GLOBAL FMCG – RAJKOT

DOMESTIC CATEGORY AWARDS FENNEL SEEDS

- a) FENNEL SEEDS – 2ND RUNNERS UP. GOPILAL BHAWARLAL GROUP OF COMPANIES – UNJHA
- b) FENNEL SEEDS – 1ST RUNNERS UP. KJ GROUP OF COMPANIES – UNJHA
- c) FENNEL SEEDS – WINNER PATEL JIVRAM MADHAVJI – UNJHA.

DOMESTIC CATEGORY AWARDS CUMIN SEEDS

- a) CUMIN SEEDS – 2ND RUNNERS UP. KJ GROUP OF COMPANIES – UNJHA
- b) CUMIN SEEDS – 1ST RUNNERS UP BABULAL GOVINDBHAI GROUP OF COMPANIES – UNJHA
- c) CUMIN SEEDS – WINNER GOPILAL BHAWARLAL GROUP OF COMPANIES – UNJHA

DOMESTIC CATEGORY AWARDS SEEDS SPICES

- a) BEST PERFORMANCE IN SEEDS SPICES - RUNNERS UP - KJ GROUP OF COMPANIES - UNJHA
- b) BEST PERFORMANCE IN SEEDS SPICES WINNER- GOPILAL BHAWARLAL GROUP OF COMPANIES – UNJHA

EXPORT CATEGORY AWARDS- TURMERIC

TURMERIC – WINNER JABS INTERNATIONAL – MUMBAI

EXPORT CATEGORY AWARDS - FENUGREEK SEEDS

- a) FENUGREEK SEEDS – 2ND RUNNERS UP JABS INTERNATIONAL – MUMBAI
- b) FENUGREEK SEEDS – 1ST RUNNERS UP SEASONS INTERNATIONAL -BHILWARA
- c) FENUGREEK SEEDS – WINNER SHREE NAKODA EXIM

EXPORT CATEGORY AWARDS - CORIANDER SEEDS

- a) CORIANDER SEEDS – 2ND RUNNERS UP SHREE AGRO INTERNATIONAL – UNJHA
- b) CORIANDER SEEDS – 1ST RUNNERS UP SEASONS INTERNATIONAL - BHILWARA
- c) CORIANDER SEEDS WINNER JABS INTERNATIONAL – MUMBAI

EXPORT CATEGORY AWARDS FENNEL SEEDS

- a) FENNEL SEEDS - 2ND RUNNERS UP M R AGRO INDUSTRIES – UNJHA.
- b) FENNEL SEEDS – 1ST RUNNERS UP VINAYKUMAR GROUP OF COMPANIES - UNJHA
- c) FENNEL SEEDS – WINNER SHREE AGRO INTERNATIONAL - UNJHA

EXPORT CATEGORY AWARDS CUMIN SEEDS

- a) CUMIN SEEDS – 2ND RUNNERS UP JABS INTERNATIONAL - MUMBAI
- b) CUMIN SEEDS – 1ST RUNNERS UP VINAY KUMAR GROUP OF COMPANIES - UNJHA
- c) CUMIN SEEDS – WINNER M R AGRO INDUSTRIES - UNJHA

EXPORT CATEGORY AWARDS OF SEED SPICES

- a) HIGHEST EXPORT OF SEED SPICES – RUNNERS UP VINAYKUMAR GROUP OF COMPANIES – UNJHA
- b) HIGHEST EXPORT OF SEED SPICES – WINNER M R AGRO INDUSTRIES - UNJHA

- The Young Entrepreneur Award For 2025 was conferred to Shri Neeraj Patel of Bright fame International – Visnagar for his skills and risk-taking abilities at a very young age.

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- Life Time Achievement award was conferred to Shri. Jitubhai Adani – Adani Exports – Rajkot for his immense contribution to the growth and development of Spice Trade.
- Shri Yogesh Mehta – Founder & CEO –Spice Exim – Mumbai was felicated for being the mentor, guide and inspiration for setting up Federation and for being pioneer in Spice trade for more than 50 years
- Shri Vishwa Mohan Kumar, Anchor, ET Now Swadesh was conferred with Media Award For Young And Budding Journalist

For the first time IV International Company Ltd from Vietnam had participated as Exhibitors along with A-Mecs Colour Sorter, South Korea, Bank of Baroda, Buhler & Co, DC Associates, Beacon Insurance, Aditya Power -Tata Power, Natural Storage Solution Ltd, Vibgyor Group & Best Vision Sorting Machine

As a token of deep appreciation, The Sponsors, Advertisers and Exhibitors were presented with a memento.

Shri Tejus Gandhi was nominated as the New Chairman of the Federation for two years. Shri Tejus Gandhi New Chairman proposal and invitation of Parton Membership received an overwhelming response of more than 35 members who gave their support instantly. Chairman presented a New outlook of the Federation with an active participation of the Directors, Trustees and members to be one of the leading Spice association in India

Federation New Logo and Updated New Website was unveiled

Crop Survey 2025

The much-awaited Crop Survey 2025 report meticulously collected data from Farms in Gujarat, Rajasthan, MP by 32 students of Agricultural University for more than 45 days under the able guidance of Farmers, Traders, experts and others was collated and presented by the students

CROP SURVEY 2025 Summary	2024	2025	Absolute Change
Fenugreek - Estimated Production in 100 kgs bags	16,60,920	17,16,400	55,479
Fennel - Estimated Production in 55 kgs bags	38,58,959	18,68,393	-19,90,566
Coriander - Estimated Production in 40 kgs bags	1,15,96,901	1,10,57,769	-5,39,133
Cumin Seed- Estimated Production in 55 kgs bags	1,12,42,509	97,93,917	-14,48,592

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CROP SURVEY 2025 SUMMARY REPORT

CORIANDER CROP SCENARIO 2025

STATEWISE CORIANDER AREA, YIELD & PRODUCTION

State	Estimated Area ('000' Ha.)			Estimated Yield (Kg/Ha.)			Estimated Production ('000' MT.)		
	2024	2025	Change in (%)	2024	2025	Change in (%)	2024	2025	Change in (%)
	Area	Area		Yield	Yield		Prod.	Prod.	
Madhya Pradesh	188.80	162.00	-14.2%	1279	1310	2.4%	241.45	212.24	-12.1%
Rajasthan	50.06	47.05	-6.0%	1280	1308	2.2%	64.08	61.54	-4.0%
Gujarat	125.41	128.40	2.4%	1263	1313	3.9%	158.35	168.53	6.4%
Total	364.27	337.45	-7.4%	1273	1311	2.9%	463.88	442.31	-4.6%

The total area under coriander has decreased by 7.4% as compared to last year.

The overall average yield is marginally higher than last year.

Due to less area, coriander production has decreased by 4.6% as compared to last year.

STATEWISE CORIANDER SEED PRODUCTION IN 40KG BAGS

State	Estimated Production (In 40kg Bags)		
	2024	2025	Absolute Change
Madhya Pradesh	60,36,231	53,06,019	-7,30,212
Rajasthan	16,01,895	15,38,588	-63,308
Gujarat	39,58,776	42,13,163	2,54,387
Total	1,15,96,901	1,10,57,769	-5,39,133

To sum up with this year Coriander Seed Production is lower by around 5,39,133 Bags over last year.

CUMIN SEED SCENARIO 2025

STATEWISE CUMIN AREA, YIELD & PRODUCTION

State	Estimated Area ('000' Ha.)			Estimated Yield (Kg/Ha.)			Estimated Production ('000' MT.)		
	2024	2025	Change in (%)	2024	2025	Change in (%)	2024	2025	Change in (%)
	Area	Area		Yield	Yield		Prod.	Prod.	
Gujarat	521.00	455.67	-13%	508	552	9%	264.83	251.59	-5%
Rajasthan	743.20	716.24	-4%	476	401	-16%	353.51	287.08	-19%
Total (Guj & Raj)	1264.20	1171.91	-7%	489	460	-6%	618.34	538.67	-13%

1. Overall area covered under cumin seed in Gujarat & Rajasthan state has decreased by 7% over last year.
2. Average yields are lower by 6% from last year.
3. On account of lower area and yields cumin production in Gujarat & Rajasthan state is lower by 13% from last year.

STATEWISE CUMIN SEED PRODUCTION IN 55KG BAGS

State	Estimated Production (in 55Kg Bags)		
	2024	2025	Absolute Change
Gujarat	48,15,000	45,74,334	-2,40,666
Rajasthan	64,27,509	52,19,584	-12,07,926
Total	1,12,42,509	97,93,917	-14,48,592

To sum up with this year Cumin Seed Production is lower by around 14,48,592 Bags over last year.

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FENNEL CROP SCENARIO 2025

STATEWISE FENNEL AREA, YIELD & PRODUCTION

State	Estimated Area ('000' Ha.)			Estimated Yield (Kg/Ha.)			Estimated Production ('000' MT.)		
	2024	2025	Change	2024	2025	Change	2024	2025	Change
	Area	Area	in (%)	Yield	Yield	in (%)	Prod.	Prod.	in (%)
Gujarat	123.66	45.28	-63%	1058	1136	7%	130.84	51.44	-61%
Rajasthan	58.85	38.22	-35%	1141	1132	-1%	67.12	43.27	-36%
Others (MP&UP)	14.50	8.70	-40%	985	925	-6%	14.28	8.05	-44%
Total	197.00	92.20	-53%	1077	1115	3%	212.24	102.76	-52%

1. All India area covered under Fennel seed has decreased by 53% over last year.
2. Overall average yields are showing a increased by 3% from last year.
3. Production has lower by 52% this year due other crop shifting compared to the previous year.

ALL INDIA STATEWISE FENNEL SEED PRODUCTION IN 55KG

State	Estimated Production ((in 55Kg Bags)		
	2024	2025	Absolute Change
Gujarat	23,78,868	9,35,298	-14,43,570
Rajasthan	12,20,409	7,86,777	-4,33,632
Others (MP&UP)	2,59,682	1,46,318	-1,13,364
Total	38,58,959	18,68,393	-19,90,566

To sum up with this year all India Fennel seed production is lower by around 19,90,566 bags over last year.

FENUGREEK SCENARIO 2025

STATEWISE FENUGREEK AREA, YIELD & PRODUCTION

State	Estimated Area ('000' Ha.)			Estimated Yield (Kg/Ha.)			Estimated Production ('000' MT.)		
	2024	2025	Change	2024	2025	Change	2024	2025	Change
	Area	Area	in (%)	Yield	Yield	in (%)	Prod.	Prod.	in (%)
Rajasthan	42.95	47.45	10%	1219	1285	5%	52.38	60.96	16%
Madhya Pradesh	57.39	54.09	-5%	1322	1325	0%	89.10	84.92	-5%
Gujarat	17.97	18.60	4%	1370	1385	1%	24.62	25.76	5%
Total	128.31	130.14	1%	1295	1319	2%	166.09	171.64	3%

1. Overall area covered under Fenugreek in all the three states has increased by 1% over last year.
2. Overall average yields are marginally increased from last year.
3. On account of marginally increased area & yield Fenugreek production increased by 3% over last year.

STATEWISE FENUGREEK PRODUCTION IN 100KG BAGS

State	Estimated Production (in 100Kg Bags)		
	2024	2025	Absolute Change
Rajasthan	5,23,755	6,09,560	85,805
Madhya Pradesh	8,90,977	8,49,230	-41,747
Gujarat	2,46,189	2,57,610	11,421
Total	16,60,920	17,16,400	55,479

To sum up with this year Fenugreek Production is higher by around 55,479 Bags over last year.

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**SPICES EXPORT DATA
2023-2024**

Fenugreek Seed Export Data 2023-2024 (Qty in Ton)

Months	2023	2024	Change In (%)
Jan	2094.8	2201.91	5.11%
Feb	2075.1	3691.74	77.91%
Mar	1879.4	3682.49	95.94%
Apr	2272.85	3562.39	56.74%
May	3848.12	4202.87	9.22%
Jun	1702.06	4174.3	145.25%
Jul	2375.79	2430.88	2.32%
Aug	2071.68	4109.93	98.39%
Sep	1408.17	2896.85	105.72%
Oct	2498.75	3779.03	51.24%
Nov	2059.68	2901.79	40.89%
Dec	2729.71	3613.57	32.38%
Total	27016.11	41247.75	52.68%

This year Fenugreek seed export higher than 52.68% from last year

Coriander Seed Export Data 2023-2024 (Qty in Ton)

Months	2023	2024	Change In (%)
Jan	1548.63	6225.12	75.43%
Feb	3637.07	6577.43	80.84%
Mar	11477.52	8289.76	-27.77%
Apr	10400.26	6054.49	-41.22%
May	24389.01	5492.14	-77.48%
Jun	12240.9	5482.71	-55.21%
Jul	10473.45	4383.43	-58.15%
Aug	7473.44	4120.03	-44.87%
Sep	4810.78	4465.92	-7.17%
Oct	4916.84	4694.56	-4.52%
Nov	4197.41	3949.11	-5.92%
Dec	6485.56	5295.02	-18.36%
Total	103950.87	65029.92	-37.44%

This year Coriander seed export lower by 37.44% from last year

Fennel Seed Export Data 2023-2024 (Qty in Ton)

Months	2023	2024	Change in (%)
Jan	2167.91	3752.14	73.08%
Feb	951.47	1990.59	109.21%
Mar	938.64	1882.75	100.58%
Apr	6388.14	13396.75	109.71%
May	9832.53	9574.92	-2.62%
Jun	1974.74	11044.09	459.27%
Jul	1153.54	7628.22	561.29%
Aug	1229.95	4543.5	269.41%
Sep	1395.47	6922.64	396.08%
Oct	1739.44	6643.85	281.95%
Nov	2573.33	3156.14	22.65%
Dec	5274.3	4524.19	-14.22%
Total	35619.46	75059.78	110.73%

This year Fennel seed export increased 110.73% from last year

Cumin Seed Export Data 2023-2024 (Qty in Ton)

Months	2023	2024	Change In (%)
Jan	8049.71	13231.19	64.37%
Feb	11362.19	11882.46	4.58%
Mar	18552.11	33250.41	79.23%
Apr	16281.87	39182.42	140.65%
May	24794.40	22280.95	-10.14%
Jun	10411.13	16624.46	59.68%
Jul	8297.80	19082.13	129.97%
Aug	8081.60	14496.15	79.37%
Sep	7190.83	16973.75	136.05%
Oct	7505.53	18081.38	140.91%
Nov	9026.95	12643.53	40.06%
Dec	13403.06	19645.18	46.57%
Total	142957.18	237374.01	66.05%

This year Cumin seed export higher by 66.05% from last year

REVISED CUMIN SEED SCENARIO 2024

DISTRICTWISE REVISED CUMIN YIELD & PRODUCTION OF GUJARAT STATE						
DISTRICT	Estimated Area ('000'Ha.)	Estimated Yield (Kg/Ha.)		Estimated Production ('000' MT.)		
	2024	2024 1st	2024 Re-vised	2024 1st	2024 Re-vised	Change In (%)
	Area	Yield	Yield	Prod.	Prod.	
Kutch	53.20	545	560	28.99	29.79	3%
Banaskantha	47.30	470	492	22.23	23.27	5%
Patan	38.70	508	535	19.66	20.70	5%
Ahmedabad	16.80	500	515	8.40	8.65	3%
Surendranagar	71.20	520	528	37.02	37.59	2%
Rajkot	37.30	485	500	18.09	18.65	3%
Jamnagar	32.70	485	500	15.86	16.35	3%
Porbandar	21.90	460	485	10.07	10.62	5%
Morbi	67.80	515	532	34.92	36.07	3%
Junagadh	15.60	476	492	7.43	7.68	3%
Dwarka	104.80	430	465	45.06	48.73	8%
Others	13.70	475	490	6.51	6.71	3%
Total	521.00	488	508	254.25	264.83	4%

Based on the survey we expected that there will be loss in production although, after the real yield/ production we got there wasn't any loss at all

DISTRICTWISE CUMIN AREA YIELD & PRODUCTION OF RAJASTHAN STATE						
DISTRICT	Estimated Area ('000'Ha.)	Estimated Yield (Kg/Ha.)		Estimated Production ('000' MT.)		
	2024	2024 1st	2024 Re-vised	2024 1st	2024 Re-vised	Change In (%)
	Area	Yield	Yield	Prod.	Prod.	
Jodhpur	225.20	425	480	95.71	108.10	13%
Barmer	203.20	420	470	85.34	95.50	12%
Bikaner	15.90	390	450	6.20	7.16	15%
Jaisalmer	107.70	418	485	45.02	52.23	16%
Jalore	108.50	415	465	45.03	50.45	12%
Pali	8.60	421	471	3.62	4.05	12%
Nagaur	65.70	432	492	28.38	32.32	14%
Others	8.40	370	440	3.11	3.70	19%
Total	743.20	420	476	312.41	353.51	13%

Based on the survey we expected that there will be loss in production although, after the real yield/ production we got there wasn't any loss at all...

STATEWISE REVISED CUMIN SEED PRODUCTION IN 55KG BAGS

State	Estimated Production (in 55Kg Bags)		
	2024 1st Prod.	2024 Revised Prod.	Absolute Change
Gujarat	46,22,667	48,15,000	1,92,333
Rajasthan	56,80,220	64,27,509	7,47,289
Total	1,03,02,887	1,12,42,509	9,39,622

In conclusion after assessing survey data and real data we found total of 9,39,622 bags of cumin in surplus...

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GLIMSES OF 9TH ANNUAL SPICE MEET 7th& 8th March 2025 GOA













Federation at work



Officials from Anand Agricultural University came to Unjha for collecting farmer samples of Cumin of Various growing regions to analyse the level of pesticide residues in Farm grade material. This is under All India Network Project on Pesticide Residues and contaminants. Federation along with APMC facilitated for the collection of samples.



Shri Girish Rajgor, President of Mehsana BJP felicitated by Shri Vijay Joshi on his appointment



SHEFEXIL 60th Anniversary with **DR. SUBRATA GUPTA, IAS** Secretary, MoFPI 03 **JYOT** on 23 March 2025

Dr. Subrata Gupta, IAS, Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India meeting with Office Bearers of Federation

KEDIA ADVISORY SERVICES

India’s Turmeric Market 2024–25: Supply Swings, Farmer Protests, and Price Outlook



India’s turmeric market in 2024–25 has witnessed sharp swings driven by fluctuating supply dynamics and evolving domestic and global demand. Prices had plunged to around ₹11,200 per quintal in February 2025, pressured by heavy arrivals of over 25,000–30,000 bags per day in key mandis such as Nizamabad and Erode during the harvest peak. A significant 15–20% jump in production, particularly in Maharashtra, Telangana, and Karnataka due to favourable weather and expanded acreage, contributed to the supply surge. Simultaneously, weak demand from masala companies and slow export movement from Gulf countries and Bangladesh intensified the downward pressure, triggering over 14% correction in NCDEX April futures from January highs. However, a swift price rebound followed farmer protests in Telangana, including Rasta Roko rallies in Metpally, which disrupted arrivals and reignited bullish sentiment. Farmers’ discontent with low prices led to delayed supplies, and expectations of fresh FMCG sector buying in the new financial year added further support.

Despite the strong output recovery to 78.30 lakh bags from 58 lakh bags in the previous year, yield losses of 10–15% and harvesting delays caused total arrivals to fall by 43.59% YoY to 38.08 lakh bags, while overall supply declined 13.76% to 88.14 lakh bags. On the demand side, domestic consumption is forecasted to rise 7.61% to 70 lakh bags, bolstered by heightened health awareness and wedding season demand, with 53 lakh marriages expected in 2025. On the export front, turmeric shipments are projected to drop 15.51% YoY to 27.38 lakh bags, primarily due to a 55.46% slump in Iranian demand and subdued momentum at the February 2025 Gulfood event. However, positive export trends to Bangladesh (+8.84%), the U.S. (+22.73%), and Malaysia (+23.96%) show promise. A significant 86.12% YoY decline in closing stocks to just 5.75 lakh bags, combined with tightening supply and strong festival-related demand, is expected to support prices in the coming months.

Technically, turmeric has completed a bullish harmonic pattern (XABCD) and is trading above the 50-day moving average with strong momentum. A MACD bullish crossover and rising RSI at 59 reflect renewed buying interest, while the price has retraced above the 61.8% Fibonacci level near ₹13,282, indicating a potential continuation toward the 200-day MA. It is recommended to create a buy position at around ₹13,000 with a strict stop loss of ₹12,200, targeting ₹14,600 for the coming month.

India's Jeera Market 2024–25: Balanced Domestic Demand, Export Challenges, and Price Outlook



India's jeera market in 2024–25 reflects a balanced outlook driven by stable domestic demand and improved arrivals, though export sentiment has turned cautious. Production is expected to dip by 3% to 100 lakh bags from 103.09 lakh bags last year. However, favorable harvesting conditions have led to better early-season arrivals between April and July compared to the previous year, offering relief to traders and processors.

Despite earlier optimistic projections, jeera exports are facing growing pressure. China's cumin purchases have slowed amid its economic downturn, while looming U.S. tariffs under President Trump's "reciprocal" trade stance have further clouded global trade sentiment. Heightened geopolitical tensions in the Middle East, particularly involving Iran, have added uncertainty, prompting global spice buyers to hold back. Additionally, the Indian rupee's recent appreciation—its best monthly gain in over six years—has reduced the price competitiveness of Indian jeera in international markets, affecting demand from key buyers like China, Bangladesh, and the UAE.

Domestically, consumption remains steady at around 40 lakh bags, offering a cushion against export volatility. Closing stock levels have increased, lifting the stock-to-use ratio to 64.76% from 58.14% a year ago. Technically, jeera has shown a bullish breakout above the 50-day moving average, supported by volume expansion and positive momentum indicators. Short-term price support may come from rising March–April temperatures impacting yields, but upside may remain capped unless global demand improves.

Technically, Jeera has broken out of the falling channel pattern and is trading above the 50-day moving average with bullish momentum, as indicated by a MACD crossover and RSI near 70; volume expansion also supports the strength. With crucial support near ₹21,705 and resistance around the 200-day moving average at ₹25,975. It is recommended to create a buy position at around ₹22500 with a strict stop loss of ₹21600, limited upside for the April month max towards ₹23500/23800 for April month.

India's Dhaniya Market 2024–25: Supply Constraints, Export Weakness, and Price Outlook



India's dhaniya market in 2024–25 is undergoing structural adjustments amid tightening supply, volatile export performance, and stable domestic consumption. Production is estimated to decline by 11.82% to 97 lakh bags, down from the previous year, while carry-forward stocks have sharply contracted by 68.49% to just 22.07 lakh bags. Although acreage in Madhya Pradesh has seen a slight drop, steady sowing in Gujarat and Rajasthan has partially balanced the shortfall. However, the overall market supply has reduced by 35.53%, intensifying supply tightness. While March 2025 arrivals stood nearly flat YoY at 76,791.86 tonnes, total annual arrivals plunged to 292,024.60 tonnes from 543,876.04 tonnes in 2023–24, reflecting lower availability in the market.

Domestic consumption remains firm, with a modest rise of 0.42% to 145 lakh bags, backed by robust demand during the 2025 wedding season, which is projected to witness 53 lakh weddings. However, exports have suffered a sharp decline—dropping 50% to 43,609.44 tonnes between April and December 2024, while export earnings fell 39% due to weak demand from traditional buyers such as China, Bangladesh, and the U.S. Diversification into markets like Sri Lanka, UAE, Oman, Canada, and Australia has helped cushion some of the export shortfall. Imports too have dropped significantly from 5.72 lakh bags to just 0.69 lakh bags, restricting any external supply support. The stock-to-use ratio is forecasted to remain in negative territory at -25.89%, signaling a constrained supply environment that may underpin prices going forward. However, factors such as cash flow constraints, muted processor demand, cheaper overseas alternatives, and the seasonal rise in arrivals post-April could weigh on price growth. In the short term, prices are expected to remain supported due to supply constraints, though gains may be limited by liquidity concerns and export weaknesses.

Technically, dhaniya is forming a base near crucial support at ₹7,756, bouncing within a falling channel pattern while holding above the recent lows. MACD has shown a bullish crossover, RSI is at 38 indicating room for upward movement, and price action suggests a potential short-term rebound. It is recommended to create a buy position at around ₹7,800 with a strict SL of ₹7,600, targeting ₹8,250 for the coming month.

IMPORT REJECTIONS IN SPICES FROM EU AND USA FEBRUARY 2025 (DATA EXTRACTED FOR INDIA)

RASFF Import Refusal (in Spices)- February 2025

Total Rejections	21
Most no: import rejections reported from	Turkey (3), Egypt (3), India (2), Bangladesh (2)
Spice with the highest number of rejections	Cumin :(4), Chilli (3), Spice mix (3)
Reason for the most no: of rejections	Presence of pesticides (10)

USFDA Import Rejection (in Spices)- February 2025

Total Rejections	41
Most no: import rejections reported from	India (20)
Spice with the highest number of rejections	Chilli (9), Spice mix (8)
Reason for the most no: of rejections	Presence of salmonella (19)

RASFF Alerts

Sl. No	Commodity	Origin	Reason for Rejection
9	Cumin Ground	India	Presence of pesticide residues clothianidin, thiamethoxam
10	Cumin Powder	India	Presence of pesticide residues Azoxystrobin, acetamiprid, carbendazim unauthorised substance, chlorpyrifos-methyl unauthorised substance, clothianidin, dinotefuran unauthorised substance, flonicamid, hexaconazole unauthorised substance, kresoxim-methyl, picoxystrobin unauthorised substance, propiconazole, thiamethoxam, tolfenpyrad, tricyclazole unauthorised substance

USFDA Alerts

Sl. No:	Product	Origin	Reason for Rejection	FDA Sample Analysis
11	FENNEL, WHOLE (SPICE)	India	The article appears to contain an artificial coloring and it fails to bear labeling stating that fact. The article appears to be, or to bear or contain a color additive which is unsafe.	Private Lab Sample Analysis
12	ASAFETIDA, NATURAL EXTRACT OR FLAVOR (SPICE)	India	It appears to bear or contain an unsafe food additive	No

14	MIXED SPICE AND SEASONINGS, WITHOUT SALT, N.E.C.	India	<p>The article appears in violation of FPLA because of its placement, form and/or contents statement.</p> <p>The article purports to be or is represented as a food for which a standard or standards of fill of container have been prescribed by regulations as provided by Section 401 of the FD&C Act and the article falls below the applicable standard of fill and its label does not bear a statement that it falls below such standard in such manner and form as such regulations specify.</p>	No
15	SPICES AND SEASONING, GROUND, CRACKED, WITH SALT, N.E.C.	India	<p>The article appears in violation of FPLA because of its placement, form and/or contents statement.</p> <p>The article purports to be or is represented as a food for which a standard or standards of fill of container have been prescribed by regulations as provided by Section 401 of the FD&C Act and the article falls below the applicable standard of fill and its label does not bear a statement that it falls below such standard in such manner and form as such regulations specify.</p>	No

16	SPICES AND SEASONING, GROUND, CRACKED, WITH SALT, N.E.C.	India	The article purports to be or is represented as a food for which a standard or standards of fill of container have been prescribed by regulations as provided by Section 401 of the FD&C Act and the article falls below the applicable standard of fill and its label does not bear a statement that it falls below such standard in such manner and form as such regulations specify.	No
17	PEPPER, BLACK, GROUND, CRACKED (SPICE)	India	It appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health. The article appears to consist in whole or in part of a filthy, putrid, or decomposed substance or be otherwise unfit for food.	Private Lab Sample Analysis
18	PEPPER, BLACK, GROUND, CRACKED (SPICE)	India	It appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health. The article appears to consist in whole or in part of a filthy, putrid, or decomposed substance or be otherwise unfit for food.	Private Lab Sample Analysis
19	PEPPER, BLACK, GROUND, CRACKED (SPICE)	India	It appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health. The article appears to consist in whole or in part of a filthy, putrid, or decomposed substance or be otherwise unfit for food.	No

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20	PEPPER, BLACK, GROUND, CRACKED (SPICE)	India	It appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health. The article appears to consist in whole or in part of a filthy, putrid, or decomposed substance or be otherwise unfit for food.	No
21	PEPPER, BLACK, GROUND, CRACKED (SPICE)	India	It appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health. The article appears to consist in whole or in part of a filthy, putrid, or decomposed substance or be otherwise unfit for food.	No

22	CAPSICUMS (CAYENNE CHILI, HOT PEPPERS), GROUND, CRACKED (SPICE)	India	It appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health.	No
23	MUSTARD, WHOLE (SPICE)	India	It appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health.	No
24	MUSTARD, WHOLE (SPICE)	India	It appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health.	No
25	MUSTARD, WHOLE (SPICE)	India	It appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health.	No
26	MUSTARD, WHOLE (SPICE)	India	It appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health.	No
27	MUSTARD, WHOLE (SPICE)	India	It appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health.	No
28	PEPPER, BLACK, GROUND, CRACKED (SPICE)	India	It appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health.	No
29	SPICES AND SEASONING, GROUND, CRACKED, WITH SALT, N.E.C.	India	It appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health.	No
30	AJWAIN (SPICE)	India	It appears to bear or contain a pesticide chemical residue, which causes the article to be adulterated	No
31	SAFFRON, WHOLE (SPICE)	India	It appears to contain a poisonous or deleterious substance which would ordinarily render the article injurious to health.	No

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Circular No. 23/2024-25 Dated: 26.03.2025

CIRCULAR

Sub: Online Submission of Quarterly Export Returns-reg.

As you are aware, as per the terms and conditions for grant of Certificate of Registration as Exporter of Spices (CRES), issued in accordance with the Spices Board (Registration of Exporters) Regulations 1989 and subsequent

Amendments, every Registered Exporter of spices should submit the Export/ Purchase/ Import Return in the prescribed format to Spices Board on a quarterly basis on or before the 10th day of every succeeding quarter.

A 'Nil' return for corresponding quarter, should be submitted even though there is no Export/ Purchase/ Import.

Accordingly, all the Exporters are required to furnish all the pending Quarterly Export Returns for the year 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25 on or before 25th April 2025. In this regard, the Quarterly Export Returns can be submitted online the link to submit the export/ purchase/ import return is <https://indian.spices.org.in/ESS/users/login/userhome>

The login and password is same as that of ESS (ie for filing sampling intimation. Also, you can reset your password).

If already submitted the Quarterly Export Returns through online, please ignore the mail.

Director (Mktg)

All Registered Exporters

Copy to : Regional offices for necessary action and follow up

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Notification No. 66/2024-25

Subject: Extension of RoDTEP for Advance Authorizations (AAs) holders, Special Economic Zones (SEZs), and Export-Oriented Units (EOUs) upto 05.02.2025

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 5 of the Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act, 1992, read with [Para 1.02](#) of the Foreign Trade Policy 2023, the Central Government hereby notifies, in partial super-session of [Notification No. 32/2024-25](#) dated

30.09.2024, the following:

1. The support under the Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) scheme for export of products manufactured by Advance Authorizations (AAs) holders, Special Economic Zones (SEZs), and Export-Oriented Units (EOUs) stands extended only up to 05.02.2025.

Effect of this Notification: The Support under the RoDTEP Scheme for exports of products manufactured from AAs, SEZs, and EOUs has been extended up to 05.02.2025. However, from 06.02.2025 onwards, exports from these categories will no longer be eligible for RoDTEP support. The support under the RoDTEP Scheme for other categories (DTA) shall continue as per Notification No. 32/2024-25.

(Santosh Kumar Sarangi)

Director General of Foreign Trade

Ex-officio Additional Secretary to the Government of India

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10 CHANGES THAT KICK IN FROM APRIL 1

1 Lower tax burden | Income tax liability to come down by up to ₹ 1.1 lakh annually for those under the new tax regime. Under the new regime tax rebate available to those earning up to ₹ 12 lakh annually, against ₹ 7 lakh earlier

2 TDS relief | The limit on interest earned by senior citizens to be doubled to ₹ 1 lakh a year; annual limit on rent hiked from ₹ 2.4 lakh to ₹ 6 lakh

3 Remittances get less taxing | Threshold for tax collected at source raised from ₹ 7 lakh to ₹ 10 lakh, no TCS on remittances for education funded through loans from banks, select financial institutions

4 Pension bonanza for babus | Central govt employees, who joined from



2004, will get the option to shift to the Unified Pension Scheme, offering assured pension of 50% of last pay drawn, inflation adjustment and ₹ 10,000 monthly payout after serving for 10 years

5 More toll on highways | Toll on NH to rise by around 3% as govt allows annual hike to cover price increases

6 Medicines to cost more | Prices of around 800 medicines to go up

marginally as drug price regulator allows for inflation adjustment

7 Gas prices rises | CNG, piped natural gas may cost more as govt allows for price hike on domestically produced gas from legacy fields

8 Security check for UPI | Banks, third-party providers to implement measures to phase out inactive numbers

9 GST tweaks | Generation of e-way bills and e-invoices will need multi factor authentication. A new Input Service Distributor mechanism will also be implemented

10 Small loans | Banks can extend home loans up to ₹ 50 lakh in metro cities under priority sector lending norms

The Trustees & Board of Directors

Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders.

Re. Patron Membership.

Dear All,

First of all let me Thank each and everyone of you from the bottom of my heart for the exceptional teamwork demonstrated during the 9th Annual Trade meet @ Goa. The event was applauded and praised by one and all who attended the meet. Another feather in our cap.

During the annual meet we had launched a patron membership scheme for first 50 members on first come first basis. The response was tremendous, and we are still receiving inquiries for the same. This shows how much faith the trade has in the Federation.

The highlights of the scheme are as follows:

Each patron member will have to pay a sum of Rs. One Lakh. Upon becoming a patron member, the patron member will enjoy the following benefits:

1. 20% discount on registration at all our events.
2. Free registration for spouse for the first annual Trade meet, on becoming a member.
3. Membership fees waiver for 9 (Nine) years.
4. Special seating arrangements at all our events, as a privileged member.
5. In future, if the Federation publishes a member directory, Special pages will be allotted for patron members.
6. A special patron member card will be issued.
7. A welcome kit will be given to each patron member.
8. In future if we negotiate with any laboratory or insurance company for special rates, the patron member will enjoy the benefits.

Kindly treat this as the official communication from the Federation for anyone who desires to become a patron member.

I look forward to welcoming all the patron members.

Yours Sincerely,


Tejus. Gandhi.

(Chairman)



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PATRON MEMBERSHIP FORM

Pan No: AADCF0181D

GST No: 24AADCF0181D1Z8

Name of the person (Please attach latest passport size photo)	
Date of Birth	
Designation	
Name of the company	
Status: Individual /Proprietorship / Partnership / LLP /Pvt. Ltd / Public Limited/ HUF/ Others	
Registered office address	
Correspondence address	
Phone No	Fax No
Cell No (This will be used for Password for FISS Portal)	WhatsApp No:
Email id (This will be used for Login for FISS Portal)	Website
Nature of business (Please mention Farmer /Traders / Processor / Manufacturer / Importer / Exporter / Agent / Broker / Service provider, Others	
Name of the products / service offered.	
Country of Export	
Country of Import	
GST No of the Organisation (Attach a copy)	
PAN card of the Organisation (Attach a copy)	

Spice Board Registration No & Validity period	
Member of any other Association / Business Chambers / Federation	
PATRON MEMBERSHIP FEE	Rs 100000 + 18% GST = 118000/-
BENEFIT OF PATRON MEMBERSHIP <p>The following are the benefits /deliverables the Patron members enjoy</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 20% discount on registration at all our events. 2. Free registration for spouse for the first annual Trade meet, on becoming a member. 3. Membership fees waiver for 9 (Nine) years. 4. Special seating arrangements at all our events, as a privileged member. 5. In future, if the Federation publishes a member directory, Special pages will be allotted for patron members. 6. A special patron member card will be issued. 7. A welcome kit will be given to each patron member. 8. In future if we negotiate with any laboratory or insurance company for special rates, the patron member will enjoy the benefits. 	
Cheque / DD /UTR No.	
Please draw Cheque / DD for Rs 1,18,000/- (Rupees One lakh eighteen thousand only) in Favour of “Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders” (Cheque/DD Subject to realization)	
Bank Electronic transfer through RTGS: A/c NAME: FEDERATION OF INDIAN SPICE STAKEHOLDERS Current A/c No: 01570200001082. NEFT: BARB0(zero)UNJHAX.: BANK OF BARODA, UNJHA	
I agree to follow all the rules and regulations of the FEDERATION OF INDIAN SPICE STAKEHOLDERS	
Place	Date
Signature	Company’s Stamp
For Official use only	
Approved by	Membership Registration No
Validity of Membership period	Entry made in Membership register



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Membership renewal form

Pan No: AADCF0181D

GST No: 24AADCF0181D1Z8

Name of the person (Please attach latest passport size photo)	
Designation	
Name of the company	
Federation Registration No	
Status: Individual /Proprietorship / Partnership / LLP /Pvt. Ltd / Public Limited/ HUF/ Others	
Registered office address	
Phone No	Fax No
Cell No	WhatsApp No:
Email id	Website
Nature of business (Please mention Farmer /Traders / Processor / Manufacturer / Importer / Exporter / Agent / Broker / Service provider	
Name of the products / service offered.	
Country of Export	
PAN card of the Organisation (Attach a copy if not already submitted)	
Spice Board Registration No & Validity period	
Member of any other Association / Business Chambers / Federation	
Membership fee Rs 9000/- for 3 years (For 2024, 2025 & 2026 upto 31.12.2026) +18%GST (Rs 1620) = Total 10,620/-	
Cheque / DD /UTR No.	
Please draw Cheque / DD for Rs 10,620/- (Rupees ten thousand six hundred and twenty only) in Fa- vour of “Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders” (Cheque/DD Subject to realization)	
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New Membership Registration Form

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Name of the person (Please attach latest passport size photo)	
Designation	
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Status: Individual / Proprietorship / Partnership / LLP / Pvt. Ltd / Public Limited/ HUF/ Others	
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Country of Export	
Country of Import	
GST No of the Organisation (Attach a copy)	
PAN card of the Organisation (Attach a copy)	
Spice Board Registration No & Validity period	
Member of any other Association / Business Chambers / Federation	
Membership fee Rs 9000/- for three years (For 2024, 2025 & 2026 upto 31.12.2026) + One-time Entry / Admission fee Rs 3000/- +18% GST (Rs 2160) = Total Rs 14160/-	
Cheque / DD / UTR No.	
Please draw Cheque / DD for Rs 14160/- (Rupees fourteen thousand one hundred sixty only) in Favour of “Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders” (Cheque/DD Subject to realization)	
Bank Electronic transfer through RTGS: A/c NAME: FEDERATION OF INDIAN SPICE STAKEHOLDERS Current A/c No: 01570200001082. NEFT: BARBo(zero)UNJHAX.: BANK OF BARODA, UNJHA	
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ABOUT US

Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders commonly known as FISS in the agro-trade in India and abroad is a Pan India association of prominent stakeholders of the Spice trade viz Farmers, Traders, Processors, Manufacturers and Exporters with an aim to bring them under one platform for creating a viable Eco-system for a sustainable growth and development of the spice trade.

FISS Head office is situated in Unjha Gujarat which has one of the biggest APMC in the country, well known commercial centre throughout India for its trade of Jeera (Cumin), Variati (Fennel Seeds), Isabgol (Psyllium Husk), Raido (Mustard Seeds), Dhaniya (Coriander), Methi (Fenugreek) among other spices.

The Trustees, office bearers & the Board of Directors of FISS consist of eminent leaders from the Spice Industry who work relentlessly to resolve the issues faced by the trade and represent the trade at appropriate levels.

India is predominantly an agrarian economy; the majority of the country's population depends on agriculture for their livelihood and this sector contributes roughly 14% of the country's total GDP.

FISS is one of its kind in the country and works as a catalyst between farmers and Industry.

As a part of our social responsibility, Federation imparts training to Agricultural University students by involving them in the crop survey and impart practical training as these young minds are the future of the country in sustainable growth, development of the agro-sector and building up food security.

Annual Crop Survey of Seed Spices Viz Coriander, Cumin, Fennel and Fenugreek

The Federation undertakes physical and scientific crop surveys during January and February for the last many years of seed spices. The students of Dantiwada Agri University are engaged to tour the various seed spices growing area for surveying the crops under the guidance of the Federation members, faculty, agriculture experts, farmers and compiling the crop survey report which are presented at the Annual Spice Trade meet. The Federation crop survey report is released in the Annual Spice meet held in the month of March every year. Our reports are referred to by the Spice Trade and Ministry for its near accuracy.

Crop Survey 2024 & 2025 was supported by Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India

Annual Spice Trade Meet – The most coveted and flagship event of the Federation

Federation has been successfully organising Annual Spice trade meet and Mid-Term meet during the last several years at Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udaipur, Neemuch, Goa and other places. During the annual meet the Crop survey report is revealed and during Mid-term meet review is undertaken to analyze the crop harvested in relation to the crop production estimated.

Interactive Panel discussion are conducted on the major seed spices i.e. Cumin seed, Coriander, Fennel seed and Fenugreek. Veterans and experts from the spice trade are invited as panellists to share their views on the topics moderated by experts from Zee Business, CNBC Awaaz, Times Group, Commodity World and others.

The discussion and deliberation at the panel are focused on Seed spices - Area of cultivation, Yield, Production, effect of climatic changes, Domestic and International consumption and demand pattern, Market Volatility, Stock availability, Effect on usage of pesticides, Organic farming, Crop rotation and Farmers welfare.

Stakeholders from the Spice trade eco-system consisting of farmers, traders, processors, manufacturers, exporters, brokers, agents and others from across India attend this event in large numbers to learn about the sowing, weather conditions, rainfall, crops yield, carried forward stocks, crops from other origin, demand and supply dynamics, future trends of consumption in domestic and international market, etc which are revealed helping them to strategize their business based on the crop survey report accompanied by networking and B2B opportunities amongst the who's who from the Spice and Agro trade.

Awarding Spice trade top performers for Domestic and Exports, farmers, young achievers, startups, Life time achievers

Theme of the year “Soil to Soul Connecting the Spice Industry”

During Annual meet FISS award and recognise the top performers in Domestic and Exports trade, Young Achievers and start-ups, Felicitates veterans and stalwarts from the Spice trade with Life time Achievement award and Farmers for best agriculture practice, promoting cultivation of organic & Integrated Pest management (IPM) crops, etc

International Trade Meet in Dubai, UAE

Federation organised its first International Trade meet consisting of conference and gala dinner attended by 200+ delegates on 17th February 2024 at Dubai, UAE on the eve of the Gulf Food exhibition held from 19th to 24th February 2024. Federation provided a platform to explore new business opportunities, network with industry leaders from India & abroad, Foreign buyers, importers and help stay updated of the current and future trends. Federation plan to have several more such International trade meet in future for enhancing the spice export from India.

Federation esteemed members have a significant contribution to the exports of spices and spice products from India which was close to US\$ 4.46 BN during 2023-24.

The theme of the Federation for the year is **“Creating synergy between Farmers, Traders and Govt”**

Federation is led by Mr. Tejus Gandhi, Chairman, Mr. U Karthik, Co-Chairman and, Mr Ajay Goyal Honorary Secretary supported by the dynamic Board of Directors and Trustees representing the various facet from the Spice Trade across India.

Federation wishes many happy returns of the day to Shri Tarun Patel, Directors FISS on his birthday celebration

Federation is happy to announce that the prestigious Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry has partnered with Federation and have offered their complimentary membership to those who renew or register New membership of Federation up to 31.12.2023 giving them an opportunity to avail access to GCCI influential Network, super-charge business connect, stay informed about the industry trends and seize collaboration opportunities

Federation Newsletter ‘The Spice Aroma’ containing Domestic and International news of importance to the Spice trade is being send to our members, Govt Departments/ agencies, Indian & Foreign embassy among others for creating a wider presence of the Federation. ‘The Spice Aroma’ has attractive advertisement opportunities for members to promote their company and products.

Members are requested to renew their membership and continue enjoying the membership benefits offered by FISS and strengthen its collective power to make its voice heard at the corridor of power. Those who have already renewed may kindly ignore this message.

REVISED MEMBERSHIP FEE

- Patron Membership fee Rs 100000 + 18% GST for 9 years
- Membership fee Rs 6000+ 18% GST for 2 Years (Jan 2025 to Dec 2026)
- New members enrolment One time Entry /admission fee Rs 3000 +Membership fee Rs 6000 for Two years upto 31.12.2026 +18%GST

We look forward for your comments, feedback, suggestions and articles / writeups related to Spices and Spices products which could be of interest to the Spice trade to be published in the forthcoming issues

The only place where success comes before work is in the dictionary

Thanks for sharing your valuable time

Contact us

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