

## India's exports of pepper, cumin seeds and cardamom on a rise

India exported USD 1.2 billion worth of pepper of the genus piper in 2020, growing by about 25 per cent over 2019. India's major export destinations were China, Thailand, Bangladesh, USA, Sri Lanka, Malaysia, Indonesia, UAE, UK and Vietnam, among other countries.

It exported USD 530 million worth of cumin seeds in 2020, growing by about 11 per cent over 2019. Its major export destinations were China, Bangladesh, USA, UAE, Nepal, Egypt, Morocco, UK, Malaysia and Brazil, among others.

India also exported USD 115 million worth of cardamoms, neither crushed nor ground, in 2020, growing by about 108 per cent over 2019. Its major export destinations were UAE, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bangladesh, Singapore, USA, Canada, Afghanistan, UK and Iran, among other countries.

The following table highlights India's growth in exports of these and other major spices such as coriander seeds in 2020. In a year hit by the pandemic, India's exports of these commodities have shown resilience.

### Growth in India's Exports of Pepper, Cumin Seeds, Cardamom and other Major Spices in 2020

HS Code	Commodity Description	Jan- Dec 2019 (R) (USD Million)	Jan- Dec 2020 (F) (USD Million)	% Growth
9042110	FRUITS OF GENUS CAPSICUM: DRIED, NEITHER CRUSHED NOR GROUND	696.61	898.88	29.04
9093129	OTHER SEEDS OF CUMMIN EXCL. BLACK; NEITHER CRUSHED NOR GROUND	438.86	480.32	9.45
9042219	CRUSHED OR GROUND; OTHER FRUITS OF GENUS CAPSICUM	87.10	103.21	18.50
9042211	CHILLY POWDER	67.76	91.29	34.73
9083120	SMALL (ELLETTARIA),ALLEPPEY GREEN CARDAMOM	28.54	62.19	117.89
9092190	OTHER SEEDS OF CORIANDER; NEITHER CRUSHED NOR GROUND	37.49	43.35	15.65

9083190	OTHER CARDAMOM; NEITHER CRUSHED NOR GROUND	14.78	35.98	143.54
9096139	OTHER SEEDS OF CARAWAY OR FENNEL	26.80	29.55	10.24
9093200	SEEDS OF CUMIN: CRUSHED OR GROUND	24.59	28.30	15.06
9093119	OTHER SEEDS OF BLACK CUMMIN NEITHER CRUSHED NOR GROUND	8.13	17.89	120.03
9092200	CRUSHED OR GROUND CORIANDER	16.02	17.79	11.06

**Note: (F) denotes Final; (R) denotes Revised Final**

**Source: Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India**

## Notifications

### PIB

Operationalisation of DGFT 'COVID-19 Helpdesk'

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