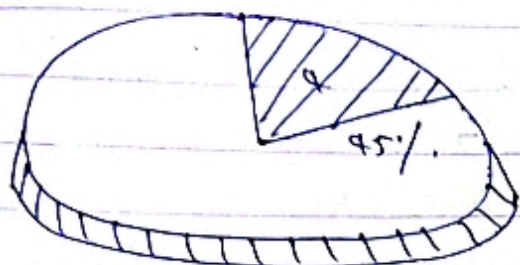


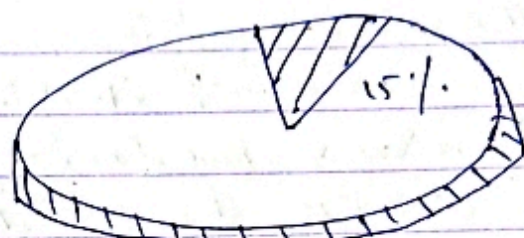
1950-51	244	1000 tonnes	value
1970-71	135		80
1990-91	199		198
2002-03	199		1070
	183		1652

TREND OF TEA EXPORT IN INDIA



1950-51

Source → The eco. survey 2003-04



2003-04

Analysis → India's share of tea in the world market has come down due to increasing domestic demand and dwindling exportable surpluses. India has to face tough competition from other tea exporting countries especially from Sri Lanka, China, Japan, Indonesia & African countries. India Exported tea to - UK, Russia, USA, Germany, Australia, Ireland, Sudan, Iran, Iraq, Egypt. Due to falling tea exports, Govt. of India took several steps in 2004 to help tea growers in increasing the prodⁿ & export.

⇒ Conclusion → Tea is an imp. plantation crop of India, on which a largest no. of people are dependent for their livelihood. Tea cover small area in India but are of high eco. value. It's ^{slow} growing trade has given it certain producers & a new way of earning foreign exchange.