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### **Report Highlights:**

\*Vegetable oil tariff values raised by \$10-24 per ton\*.

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#### VEGETABLE OIL TARIFF VALUES RAISED BY \$10-24 PER TON

The Finance Ministry raised tariff values for edible oils by \$10-24 per ton, effective November 15, 2005, allegedly in line with international prices (notification can be downloaded from: <a href="http://www.cbec.gov.in/cae/customs/cs-act/notifications/notfns-2k5/csnt94-2k5.htm">www.cbec.gov.in/cae/customs/cs-act/notifications/notfns-2k5/csnt94-2k5.htm</a>). While the increase is \$10 per ton for crude degummed soybean oil, the increase for the palm group of oils is between \$16-24/ton. This revision is the third within the last month. (Source: Business Line, 10/16/05)

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