

Vietnam government aims at 4.5 billion dollars of fruit and veg exports by 2020

The Vietnamese Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development has set a target of 4.5 billion dollars of vegetable and fruit export turnover by 2020 and 7 billion dollars by 2030.

To meet these targets, the ministry will continue expanding the acreage of major fruits with high export values such as green peel pomelo, banana, mango, orange, pineapple and longan. Output will be improved and food safety and cost reductions are priorities as well.

According to sggp.news.org.vn, fruit and vegetable exports have been on the rise in recent years: from 151.5 million dollars in 2003 to 1.07 billion dollars in 2013 and 2.45 billion dollars in 2016. In the first eleven months of this year it reached 3.16 billion dollars, up 43.2 percent compared to last year.

At present, fruit and vegetables are exported to 40 nations and territories in the world including the US, Australia, New Zealand, Chile, Japan and South Korea. Difficulties are still: small and scattered production and a shortage of connectivity between businesses and farmers. Moreover, processing and post-harvest preservation are still lacking.

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