

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2076

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FREE DISTRIBUTION OF FOODGRAIN

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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had made any announcement to provide free foodgrains to the poorest people of the society;
- (b) if so, the salient feature of the schemes;
- (c) if so, the reasons for not implementing this scheme so far;
- (d) the criteria adopted to identify the poor who deserve free foodgrains;
- (e) whether the flood and drought hit and backward areas are proposed to be targeted under the said scheme;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHAUHAN)

(a) No, Sir.

(b),(c),(d),(e),(f) & (g) : Do not arise.