

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1277  
ANSWERED ON:02.03.2001  
EXPORT OF WHEAT  
ANANTRAO GUDHE

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

- (a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned 'Flour mills demand export of maida not wheat' appearing in the Business Standard dated January 2, 2001;
- (b) if so, the details of memorandum submitted by flour mills;
- (c) the reaction of the Government to the point made therein and facts of the matters; and
- (d) the details of action taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) As at the annexure please.
- (c) & (d) : No decision to export wheat products has been taken.

**ANNEXURE**

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1277 FOR ANSWER IN THE SABHA ON 02-03-2001.

The Maharashtra Roller Flour Millers' Association has indicated that its members are prepared to export about 2 lakh MTs of Maida per month. The Association has also suggested the following options:-

- (a) its members will negotiate with foreign buyers, obtain confirmed orders alongwith L/C. They will then approach FCI for allotment of wheat at the international price of US\$ 90.00 FOB for milling purposes. 50% of the resultant maida will be exported. Relevant documents will be submitted to FCI as a proof of export, on clearance of shipments;
- (b) the millers will manufacture 50% maida for export from already existing stock of wheat available with them. FCI should give an assurance for reimbursing 100% of the wheat utilised at the export rate of US\$90.00 FOB on production of requisite documents by the millers;
- (c) if wheat is made available to the millers at the export rate of US\$ 90.00 FOB, whereas the present market rate is Rs.7240/- per MT, the millers propose to give bank guarantee for the differential cost, which will be returned to the millers at the end of the export transaction.