

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3399  
ANSWERED ON:16.03.2000  
ESSENTIAL COMMODITIES ACT  
MAHBOOB ZAHEDI

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

- (a) whether the tenure of the Essential Commodities Act expired in June 1998;
- (b) if so, the problems arising as a result of its expiry;
- (c) whether the Government propose to enact this bill; and
- (d) if so, when and if not, the reasons therefore?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI V. SREEI PRASAD)

- (a) : No, Sir.
- (b) to (d): Does not arise.