

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5668  
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SYNTHETIC COLOUR IN JUICES  
RAVI PRAKASH VERMA

**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the content of the synthetic colour in the sealed tinned juice is more than the permitted level;
- (b) if so, the number of samples collected from the market during each of the last three years till date and the number of samples out of them not found upto the mark; and
- (c) the action taken by Union Government against the manufacturers to stop production of such products?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) to (c) As per the information received, out of 1010 samples of packed fruit juice collected by the State/UTs authorities during the years 1997,1998 and 1999, five samples were found to be adulterated with artificial colours. Prosecution proceedings have been launched in all the cases.