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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:557 ANSWERED ON:23.02.2001 IMPLEMENTATION OF INDIAN STANDARDS BY BIS ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY;SHYAMA SINGH

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

(a) whether Bureau of Indian Standards has decided to strictly implement IndianStandards on the wide range of imported products/goods;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether imposition of BIS standards will check the inflow of sub-standard imported goods; and

(d) if so, to what extent?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Ministry of Commerce, Directorate General of Foreign Trade, haveissued a Notification on 24th November, 2000 making import of 131 items subject to compliance of the mandatory Indian Quality Standards as notified by the Bureauof Indian Standards (BIS) and also applicable to domestic goods.

(c) & (d): The above requirement is intended to ensure that imports of any of the 131 items specified meet the standards laid down by BIS.