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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3777 ANSWERED ON:23.08.2004 QUALITY OF FOODGRAINS IN PDS Adhalrao Patil Shri Shivaji;Yadav Shri Giridhari;Yadav Shri Ram Kripal

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

(a) whether complaints regarding the quality of foodgrains being distributed through Public Distribution System (PDS) have been received by the Government;

(b) if so, whether lapses/negligence of officials engaged in the inspection and maintenance work have been detected;

(c) if so, the action being taken against those held guilty; and

(d) the reasons for failure of timely inspection, issuing certificates without inspection, improper foodgrain quality control measures and lack of storage management scheme?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a): No complaints regarding the quality of foodgrains being distributed through Public Distribution System(PDS) have been received from any States/UTs during 2004-05 so far.

(b), (c) & (d): Does not arise.