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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4545 ANSWERED ON:22.05.2006 GOODS WITHOUT BIS CERTIFICATION Rana Shri Gurjeet Singh

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

(a) whether consumer goods requiring mandatory, Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) mark are being produced without proper certification;

(b) if so, the number of such cases detected during the last three years and current year, year-wise; and

(c) the details of the action taken against the defaulters indicating the number of defaulters convicted during the said period?

Answer

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

(a): With the growth and popularity of the BIS Certification Marks Scheme, there are instances of misuse of BIS Standard Mark on consumer goods under mandatory certification. To curb this misuse, BIS is carrying out regular raids on such manufacturers.

(b): BIS has conducted search & seizures during the last three years and current year as given below:

Year Number of Raids conducted by BIS

Total No. of No. of raids involving Raids conducted Mandatory Products

2003-04 206 86 2004-05 217 99 2005-06 241 105 2006-07 (till 14.05.2006) 14 8

(c) : After search & seizure, the offenders are prosecuted in Court of law, under the provisions of BIS Act, 1986. Following are the number of cases decided during last 3 years :

Year Number of Court cases Total No. of In favour of BIS cases decided 2003-04 8 7 2004-05 12 11 2005-06 9 7 2006-07

(till 14.05.2006) 1 1