

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1696
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FOODGRAINS EXPORT POLICY
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering a proposal to review the foodgrains export policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the new policy is likely to dispense with World Trade Organisation (WTO) compatible subsidies being paid to the exporters of foodgrains; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

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) to (d): A new foodgrain export policy is being formulated. It is at an advanced stage of consideration in the Government of India.