GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1612 ANSWERED ON:08.03.2010 PRICE STABILISATION FUND TRUST Basheer Shri E. T. Muhammed

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to restructure Price Stabilization Fund Trust (PSFT) by including more crops such as cardamom, pepper etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) to (c): While Government is not considering any restructuring of the PSFT at this stage, it keeps monitoring the performance of the schemes of the Trust with a view to establish their relevance and efficacy. As an off shoot of this review,a crop insurance scheme has been engaging the attention of the Government.