

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:2
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PRICES OF ESSENTIAL COMMODITIES
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the prices of essential commodities including foodgrains, edible oils, vegetables, milk etc. have registered a sharp rise during the recent months;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the concrete steps taken/proposed to be taken to contain this spiralling price rise including imports and release of foodgrains in the open market;and
- (d) the results achieved thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.