

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1860
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STRENGTHENING OF CONSUMER FORA
Sampath Shri Anirudhan

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to enhance the financial assistance provided to States for strengthening the infrastructure of consumer fora so that minimum level of facilities are made available at each consumer forum for their effective functioning; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the total amount sanctioned in this regard during the last three years. State-wise and UT-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K. V. THOMAS)

- (a): There is no proposal at present to further enhance the financial assistance being provided to the State/UTs under the ongoing 11th Plan Scheme of Strengthening of Consumer Fora.
- (b): The details of financial assistance released to State Governments/UTs for strengthening the infrastructure of Consumer Fora under the above scheme during the last three years i.e. 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11, as on date is enclosed at Annexure-I.