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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3031 ANSWERED ON:13.12.2011 STANDARDISATION OF PRODUCTS Majhi Shri Pradeep Kumar;Patel Shri Kishanbhai Vestabhai

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

- (a) whether the 34th General Assembly of the International Organisation for Standardisation was held in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details of the issues discussed during the said meeting;
- (c) the details of the suggestions made by various participants to improve the standardisation of products and services during the said meeting and the decisions taken thereon; and
- (d) the details of new initiatives proposed by the Government for standardisation in the country?

## **Answer**

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

- (a) Yes, Madam. The 34 General Assembly of the International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO) was held in the recent past.
- (b) The issues discussed inter alia are following:-
- (i) ISO actions to meet needs of developing countries,
- (ii) Methods of communication of Standards,
- (iii) ISO Intellectual Property Rights and
- (iv) ISO's long-term sustainability.
- (c&d) The details of suggestions and initiatives will be announced by ISO only after formal confirmation of minutes, by all member-countries.