GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6375 ANSWERED ON:15.05.2012 PROCUREMENT OF MILK Chaudhary Shri Jayant

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that milk is procured from the suppliers at very low rates;
- (b) if so, the remedial steps being taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to remove the ban on export of milk; and
- (d) if so, the likely effect of the removal of the ban on the availability of milk in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE & FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR.CHARAN DAS MAHANT)

- (a) This Department has not received any representation on milk procurement from the suppliers at very low rates. However, Press and media have reported about protests by some farmers claiming huge gap between purchase and sale of milk.
- (b) Government of India does not regulate the milk prices in the country.
- (c) There is no ban on export of liquid milk.
- (d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.