

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

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BAN ON IMPORT OF DAIRY PRODUCTS FROM CHINA

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

- (a) whether the Government has imposed a ban on import of dairy products from China during the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the corrective steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Keeping in view the reports of melamine contamination in milk and milk products in China, the Government had imposed a ban on import of dairy products from China. Vide Notification No.111 (RE-2008)/2004-2009 dated 16th June, 2009, the ban has been extended for a period of six months from 24.6.2009. Further, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India have advised State Food (Health) Authorities to take special care and action to ensure that food products containing melamine are not present in market to protect consumer health.