

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2698

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MILK POWDER

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the current stock of milk powder exceeds the demand in the country;
- (b) if so, the value of the current stock of milk powder;
- (c) whether due to lack of adequate demand the price of milk powder has crashed; and
- (d) if so, the corrective steps taken by the Government including export of the excess stock of milk powder to other countries?

Answer

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

- (a) The demand projected by major Milk Federations and Mother Dairy (Delhi) is about 88.000MT of milk powder for the year 2012-13. The current stock of milk powder with Milk Federations, Mother Dairy (Delhi) and National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) is around 1,11,646 MT.
- (b) This Department does not have information on exact value of current stock of milk powder. However, the average monthly price of milk powder in Khari Baoli whole sale market, Delhi for 2012-13 is Rs 175 /Kg.
- (c) No Madam.
- (d) Does not arise in View of reply given at (c). However, in view of adequate availability of milk powder the Ministry of Commerce and Industries vide notification dated 08.06.2012 and public notice dated 08.06.2012, has allowed free export of skimmed milk powder (SMP) and export incentive of 5% for SMP under Vishesh Krishi and Gram Udyog Yojana (VKGUY).