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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3951 ANSWERED ON:18.12.2012 COMPLETION OF PROJECTS Anandan Shri K.Murugeshan

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

- (a) whether a number of projects under the Ministry such as computerisation and computer networking of Consumer Fora have not been completed despite inception of these projects during the Tenth Plan period;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the time by which such projects are likely to be completed?

## **Answer**

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

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. The project of `Computerization & Consumer Networking of Consumer Fora in the country (CONFONET)`, was started in the fag end of Tenth Plan period (2004-05). It was continued in Eleventh Plan Period and is continuing also in Twelfth Plan Period as computerization and networking of Consumer Fora spread all over the country is a time consuming and ongoing process involving upgradation of technology and corresponding recruitment & training of operational staff. The project is likely to be completed by the end of the Twelfth plan period.