

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

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SALE OF WHEAT IN OPEN MARKET

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

- (a) whether wheat was sold in the open market between April, 2009 and September, 2009 in order to check the rise in prices in the country;
- (b) if so, the quantum and price of wheat sold through the open market during the said period;
- (c) whether the Government had assessed the increase in the consumer sale price of wheat and flour before launching the sale;
- (d) if so, the extent of increase recorded in the consumer prices of wheat and flour during the said period; and
- (e) the rate at which sale of wheat was made in the open market in comparison to its domestic cost?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

- (a): No, Madam. No wheat was sold under Open Market Sale Scheme (Domestic) in April to September, 2009 period.
- (b),(c),(d),(e): Do not arise.