

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:825  
ANSWERED ON:10.12.2013  
IMPLEMENTATION OF ECA  
Alagiri Shri S. ;Rama Devi Smt.

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

- (a) whether the effective implementation of the provisions of the Essential Commodities Act (ECA), 1955 has been adversely affected as the proceedings thereunder are time consuming and laborious in view of the procedural requirements of the Act;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) the remedial measures taken/ proposed to be taken to address the above shortcoming in the Act?

**Answer**

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

(a) : No, Madam.

(b) & (c) : Does not arise.