

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

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

- (a) the total number of retail shops in the country along with the number of these owned by individuals and corporates and those being run as chain stores separately;
- (b) the number of persons employed in these retail shops and the number of women workers among them;
- (c) the number of people engaged in the sector who lost their jobs during the last three years; and
- (d) the total turnover of these retailers during the said period?

**Answer**

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

- (a) to (c) : As retail trade is a State subject and the organised retailers register their shops/malls with the concerned State/Union Territory no data is being maintained centrally.
- (d) : No separate data for retail trade is being centrally maintained. However, according to the latest Economic Survey, during 2011-12 the contribution of domestic trade to GDP increased by 16.6% and it was worth Rs.8,10,585 Crores.