

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4394
ANSWERED ON:16.12.2009
COMPLAINTS IN KENDRIYA BHANDAR
Ram Shri Purnmasi

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding sale of adulterated and inferior quality pulses in Kendriya Bhandar outlets;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;
- (c) whether the samples are lifted from the shelves of Kendriya Bhandar outlets for laboratory test;
- (d) if so, the details of the samples lifted during the last three years and the current year and the outcome thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken to improve the quality of pulses sold by Kendriya Bhandar outlets?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (Independent Charge) IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; MINISTER OF THE STATE (Independent Charge) IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCE; MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE; MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS; AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS. (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) The details of complaints received regarding quality of pulses sold through Kendriya Bhandar outlets and the action taken thereon are enclosed as per Annexure I.
- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) The details of samples lifted from the shelves of Kendriya Bhandar outlets for laboratory test during the last three years and the current year and the outcome thereof are enclosed as per Annexure II.
- (e) The items which fail in the lab test are not sent to the stores for sale. Checks are done in all the outlets by the Incharge of the store himself regularly for any kind of damage or insect infestation. Damaged/insect infested pulses and other items are immediately removed from the stores. Checks are also done by Vigilance Officer during his inspection of the stores.