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

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the rise in prices of different commodities, other than commodities covered under the Essential Commodities Act;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has established any price control mechanism to check prices of these commodities;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI RAOSAHEB PATIL DANVE)

(a) to (d): The Wholesale Price Index(WPI) shows the headline inflation in respect of various commodities in the country, like Primary Articles, Fuel & Power and Manufactured Products. These include commodities not covered under the Essential Commodities Act, such as Tobacco & Tobacco products, textiles, wood & wood products, paper & paper products, leather & leather products, rubber & plastic products, chemicals & chemical products, metals & mineral products and machinery & machine tools. Prices of these commodities are monitored sectorally and no centralized information is maintained.