## Government of India Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution Department of Consumer Affairs

### RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No.1838 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.12.2018

### ONLINE FILING OF COMPLAINTS IN CONSUMER FORUMS

#### 1838. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA:

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

- (a) whether Government has taken any steps for computerisation and networking of all consumer forums;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has taken any steps for online filing of e-complaints before consumer forums; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF STATE CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI C.R.CHAUDHARY)

- (a) & (b): Department of Consumer Affairs operates a scheme for computerization and networking of the Consumer Fora in the country to enable online access of information. 637 Consumer Fora have been computerized and networked.
- (c) & (d): The Consumer Protection Bill, 2018, Introduced by the Government in the Lok Sabha on 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2018 and passed by Lok Sabha on 20.12.2018, has provisions for online filing of complaints in the consumer fora.

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