

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3274
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.08.2018

STANDARDS OF BIS

3274. SHRI GODSE HEMANT TUKARAM:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of standards formulated by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) and the average time taken to formulate these standards;
- (b) whether the BIS is facing inordinate delays in formulating standards even in areas affecting the health and safety of consumers and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether under the Laboratories Modernisation Programme of 2005, the BIS has been able to equip itself with modern infrastructure for testing samples; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण राज्य मंत्री
(श्री सी. आर. चौधरी)

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

(a) : As on date more than 19000 BIS standards are in operation. During the year 2017-18, 742 standards have been formulated by Bureau of Indian Standards. Time taken to formulate standards are categorized as Priority I (time frame 12 months), Priority II (time frame 24 months) and Normal (time frame 28 months). About 97.95 % standards have been formulated within time frame in Priority I category, 100 % standards have been formulated within time frame in Priority II and 86.18 % standards have been formulated within time frame in Normal category.

(b) : BIS has taken all the important standards in the area of health and safety of customers under Priority I and time frame for formulating the standard is 12 months.

(c) and (d) : Yes. BIS under the Laboratories Modernisation Programme of 2005 has procured 182 equipment's which relate to various fields of testing such as Packaged Drinking Water, Cement, CFL testing, GLS ,Plastic Pipes, Cables, Aluminum Conductors, MS Tubes, Steel Products, Float Valve, Taps, Gas Stoves, Wire Ropes, Wood Products, etc.
