

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3387
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH AUGUST, 2023**

BLACK SEA GRAIN INITIATIVE

3387. SHRIMATI HARSIMRAT KAUR BADAL:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken into consideration the implications of withdrawal of Russia from Black Sea Grain Initiative on India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is going to adversely impact food inflation in India; and
- (d) if so, the plan proposed by the Government to arrest food inflation arising out of the withdrawal?

**A N S W E R
MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)**

(a), (b) & (c): **Yes, Sir. Due to fears of withdrawal of Russia from Black Sea Grain Initiative, there was increase in global demand for foodgrains. As a result, the prices in the international market started increasing. The Government is alert to the situation and has made modifications in export policy of foodgrains.**

(d): **Question does not arise.**
