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

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1554 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.02.2020

#### NON-DISTRIBUTION OF IMPORTED ONIONS

1554. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS: **(OIH)** 

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

- (a) whether imported onions are still lying in godowns;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor along with the reason due to which the said onions are not being supplied to the States; and
- (c) the quantum of onions imported so far in the country along with the quantum of onions supplied to the State Governments?

#### **ANSWER**

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण राज्य मंत्री (श्री दानवे रावसाहेब दादाराव)

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

(a) to (c): Based on the direction of Government, MMTC contracted import of 41,950 metric tonnes (MT) of onions against which 36,124 MT of import materialized. States/UTs were offered imported onions. However, as on 03.02.2020, only about 2501 MT imported onion, in total, were taken by States/ UTs that include Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Telengana, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, West Bengal, Himachal Pradesh, Goa, Haryana, Meghalaya and Jammu & Kashmir.