

(c) There were 905 companies to which aforesaid 1365 samples related to. Information relating to the names of those companies and action taken on the failures is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

#### **Incentives to retail big houses**

†2340. SHRI SHIVANAND TIWARI:  
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to give more incentives related to retail market to domestic and foreign big houses so as to enhance competition in retail market of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether this proposal has been welcomed by big houses; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the detailed outline of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) Retail trade is a State subject and States have their own policy in this matter. There is no such scheme of the Central Government.

(b) and (c) Does not arise in view (a) above.

#### **Negative impact of big business houses on small retailers**

‡2341. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:  
SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the representative organizations of retailers of unorganised sector has drawn Government's attention towards the negative impact on the small retailers due to entry of big Indian and foreign business houses in retail market of the country;

(b) if so, the name of those organizations along with the details of the ill-effects mentioned by them; and

(c) Government's reaction in respect of the views expressed by those organizations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A list of organizations who have represented to the Government is given in Statement-I (See below).

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.