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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1661

TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.07.2019

MONITORING OF ISI MARKED PRODUCTIONS

1661. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE: (**OIH**)

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

- (a) the details of system available to check the quality of ISI marked products under present monitoring system;
- (b) the number of raids conducted on premises of licence holders under the said system and the number of samples collected during the last three years;
- (c) the number of cases registered on the basis of samples collected during the said raids and the number of persons against whom action has been taken in this regard; and
- (d) the reasons for not conducting the raids against manufacturers of such products/marketing premises and the reaction of the Government thereto?

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) : The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) licence holder is required to operate Scheme of Inspection and Testing (SIT), which prescribes the specific tests as per relevant Indian standard and the frequency for conducting them. BIS carries out surveillance on the manufacturers holding BIS licence through visit to the factory premises at periodic intervals. During the surveillance, verification of the implementation of SIT and compliance of the product to relevant standard is verified. Product samples are also drawn and sent to BIS laboratory or BIS recognized laboratory for checking conformance to relevant standard.

In addition, samples of the product bearing BIS standard mark are also purchased from the market and got tested at laboratory for checking conformance to relevant standard. Based on the non-conformance if any, observed from the test report, actions is initiated against the manufacturer as per BIS (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018.

(b) : BIS has informed that raids are carried out only on non-licence holder's premises for misuse of BIS Standard Mark and evidence collected for prosecution in the Court of Law.

Hence, the number of samples lifted is not applicable.

(c) : Cases are registered on the basis of evidence found during the raids at the premises of nonlicensees. All cases of raids where evidence of misuse of BIS Standard Mark is observed are filed in the Court of Law under Section 29 of BIS Act. As on date, 1078 criminal cases are pending in various courts all over India. However, the number of cases registered during the last 3 year is as under:

Year	Number of case registered
2016-17	131
2017-18	79
2018-19	147

(d) : Raids are conducted only on premises which do not have a licence and misusing BIS Standard mark.
