

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4384**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2021**

**ONE NATION ONE STANDARD**

4384. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

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 is working on “One Nation One Standard” concept to ensure equal & same quality products across the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the proposed mission;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to review working of the only one national body framing standards and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government is likely to establish similar National Institute to widen the scope of standards and if so, the details thereof?

**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 (d) : Yes, Sir. It is the responsibility of Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) as the National Standards Body, to ensure that there is synergy in the standardisation work taking place in the country and that there is no overlap or duplication of the work carried out by other Standards Developing Bodies. With increasing convergence of technologies, there is also a need for better coordination of work among all standardisation bodies in the country working in different sectors. Indian National Strategy for Standardization (INSS) published by Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry has recognized this and has recommended convergence of standardization, in which BIS has been given the role of overarching body for all the standardization activities in India.

At present, there are a number of domain specific Standards Developing Organizations (SDOs) in the country that develop standards in their respective areas. As per BIS Act, 2016, BIS may recognize or accredit any institution in India or outside which is engaged in standardization. With the objective of ensuring one national standard for one subject in the country, BIS has launched a scheme for recognition of SDO's and would act as the umbrella organization for steering India's standardization efforts, by recognizing these bodies and wherever necessary, to recognize the standards developed by these bodies as Indian Standards.

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