

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2372
ANSWERED ON:08.12.2005
SCANDAL IN PURCHASE OF MEAT AND POULTRY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether there has been a scandal in the purchase of meat and poultry for supply to Northern Command as reported in the Times of India, dated November 11, 2005;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has ordered an inquiry in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which inquiry is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (e): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2372 FOR 8.12.2005

A Court of Inquiry has been instituted to enquire into the alleged irregularities in the supply of meat and poultry in the Ladakh Sector of the Northern Command. Necessary action against the officials found guilty would be initiated, if needed, on finalization of the report of the Court of Inquiry.