

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2662
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FRUIT AND VEGETABLE OUTLETS OF MOTHER DAIRY
Bose Shri Subrata

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of fruit and vegetable (F&V) outlets of Mother Dairy functioning in Delhi and West Bengal at present;
- (b) whether F&V available in Mother Dairy outlets in Delhi and West Bengal are costlier than prevailing market rates and also of inferior quality; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken to provide quality products at reasonable rates to the consumers?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN)

- (a): At present 310 fruit and vegetable (F&V) outlets of Mother Dairy are functioning in National Capital Territory of Delhi and its surrounding areas. No F&V outlet of Mother Dairy is functioning in West Bengal.
- (b): Rates are competitive with the prevailing market rates and fixed on the basis of wholesale prices of Azadpur mandi and retail prices of nine major retail mandis of Delhi on day-to-day basis. The quality of fruits and vegetables at F&V outlets of Mother Dairy is not inferior and it is comparable with the quality available in local markets.
- (c): Question does not arise in view of (b) above.