

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1544
ANSWERED ON:07.08.2006
ADULTERATION IN IMPORTED WHEAT
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has relaxed the permissible limits of weeds and insecticides in the tenders for the import of 22 lakh tonnes of wheat recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the comparative figures regarding the earlier permissible limits and the relaxed norms;
- (c) whether the said relaxation violates the instructions of the Plant Quarantine Order, 2003; and
- (d) if so, the reasons for the said relaxation?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

- (a): Yes, Sir.
- (b): The details are given as per Annexure.
- (c): No, Sir.
- (d): Does not arise in view of reply to part (c) above.