

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1732
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AWARD FOR WORK IN CONSUMER PROTECTION
Dhanaraju Dr. K.

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had constituted a National Award for Women/Women Organisations for outstanding work done in the field of consumer protection;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the awards distributed during the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) : In the year 1993, the Central Government had instituted a scheme of annual award called `Swami Vivekananda National Award for Women on Consumer Protection` to recognize the outstanding efforts made by the women in the field of consumer movement and to encourage them to come forward and take up such activities in large numbers. Under this scheme, three awards are given in the shape of prize money of Rs. 20,000/-, Rs. 15,000/- and Rs. 10,000/- respectively along with a certificate of merit.

(c) : No such award has been distributed during the last three years.