

Assam Legislative Assembly

***Starred Assembly Question No.: 77**

Subject: Enforcement of MRP Regulation in Assam.

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Questions:

Will the Minister of Food, Public Distribution & Consumer Affairs Department be pleased to state :

- a) Whether the Government has conducted any assessment regarding the prevalence of sale of packaged commodities above the Maximum Retail Price (MRP) in Assam ?
- b) Please furnish the number of inspections carried out by the consumer affairs and Legal Metrology authorities during the last five years, year-wise ;
- c) The number of cases detected involving sale above MRP, along with the penalties imposed and prosecutions launched, Please furnish details year-wise ;
- d) Whether the Government has received complains regarding organised supply chain practices that compels retailers to sell packaged commodities above MRP ?
- e) What measures have been proposed to strengthen enforcement and protect consumers from overcharging ?

Answers:

Hon'ble Minister of Food, Public Distribution and Consumer Affairs, Assam, Shri Kaushik Rai will answer:

(a) Yes. The Legal Metrology wing under Commissioner, Food, Civil Supplies, Consumer Affairs & Legal Metrology, Assam conducts regular inspections on sale of packaged commodities above the Maximum Retail Price (MRP).

(b) The Number of inspections carried out by the Legal Metrology authorities during the last five years are as follows-

Sl. no	Year	No. of Inspection Carried out
1	2021-22	3578
2	2022-23	3928
3	2023-24	4256
4	2024-25	4267
5	2025-26	4165
Total		20194

(c) The number of prosecution cases launched in respect of sale above MRP, along with the penalties imposed, year wise detail-

Year	Prosecution case registered	Composition Fees realized
2021-22	2	10000
2022-23	3	15000
2023-24	14	39000
2024-25	5	45000
2025-26	4	50000
Total	28	159000

(d) No.

(e) Under the Legal Metrology Act, 2009 and Rules made thereunder, the Legal Metrology officers have been directed to enhance inspection activities and take action against unscrupulous traders.