

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 755
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23rd JULY, 2018

IMPORT OF INDIAN BUFFALO MEAT BY CHINA

755. DR. UDIT RAJ:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether China has now decided to import buffalo meat directly from India, revising its earlier procurement through Vietnam;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Chinese officials have conducted inspection of over 18 abattoirs in India processing buffalo meat to global standards; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सी. आर. चौधरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b) No, Madam. China has signed veterinary protocol for import of bovine meat with India in May, 2013. However, the protocol has not been implemented till date. The Chinese authorities have suggested for creation of FMD (Foot and Mouth Disease) free zones as per OIE (Office International des Epizooties) guidelines to consider bovine meat import from India.

(c) & (d) No, Madam. The AQSIQ (Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine) inspection team from China visited India during 12th – 22nd October, 2015 to verify the FMD control programme of India. The Chinese expert team visited Directorate of FMD control program at Mukteshwar, Animal Quarantine station at New Delhi and held discussions with Department of Animal Husbandry of Punjab and Telengana besides inspection of FMD Vaccine production unit and laboratory in Bengaluru & few integrated meat processing plants in Hyderabad and Punjab.
