GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFCONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION RAJYA SABHA

QUESTION NO07.03.2011

ANSWERED ON

IMPACT OF INFLATION ON SUGAR EXPORT.

145 Dr. K.V.P. Ramachandra Rao

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that export of sugar is being affected by the inflationary tendencies of food commodities;
- (b) if so, the present sugar stock in the country vis-a-vis its demand; and
- (c) the future prospects of sugar export in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 145 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 07.03.2011.

- (a) Based on initial prospects of high production of sugar during current sugar season, the Government decided to allow export of 5 lac tons of sugar under Open General License(OGL), However, in view of inflationary trends in food items, it was decided to further assess the sugar supply and demand situation in greater detail and the proposed export of sugar has been put on hold.
- (b) Provisionally estimated sugar stocks in the country by end of January, 2011 was about 82 lac tons.
- (c) Future prospects of sugar exports depend upon many factors viz. current as well as future production and demand of sugar in the country, global production, international prices of sugar, market expectations, etc.