

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1140
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND November, 2016

CONSUMPTION OF SUGAR AND PULSES

1140. SHRI RAM KUMAR SHARMA:
SHRI M. RAJA MOHAN REDDY:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the production and consumption of sugar in the country during each of the last three years along with the quantum of sugar imported during the said period;
- (b) whether the Consumption of sugar and pulses has been increasing in the country/year-by-year;
- (c) if so, the annual percentage of demand of these commodities during the last decade; and
- (d) the quantum of the said commodities required from the year 2016-2017 and the current year for Consumption?

A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a): The details of production, consumption and import of sugar during the last three sugar seasons are given below:-

Sugar Season	Production (in Lac Tons)	Consumption (in Lac Tons)	Import* (in Lac Tons)
2013-14	245.54	243.00	10.79
2014-15	284.63	256.00	12.82
2015-16	251.21	248.00	19.06

* Sugar mainly imported for re-export under Advance Authorisation Scheme (AAS), not for domestic consumption.

(b): No, Madam. During the last decade, there have been years where the demand/consumption of sugar and pulses has been lower than the preceding year.

(c): Does not arise.

(d): For the current sugar season 2016-17, the demand/consumption of sugar in the country is estimated to be about 255 Lac Tons. The consumption of pulses for the year 2016-17 is estimated to be 220 Lac Tons.