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

### LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4262 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2017

### SUGAR PRODUCTION

# 4262. PROF. SAUGATA ROY: SHRI HARISH CHANDRA ALIAS HARISH DWIVEDI: PROF. RAVINDRA VISHWANATH GAIKWAD: DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

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

(a) whether there is any crisis in the production of sugar in the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the total expected production of sugar in the current season as compared to the production of previous years along with the reasons for the decline in the sugar production;

(c) whether there is a decrease in the sugar production in the country due to drought in the current year and if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh;

(d) whether the Government intends to import sugar to meet the reduction in sugar production, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether there is the possibility of the price of sugar moving upward due to less production of sugar in the country, if so, the details thereof?

#### ANSWER

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

(a): No Madam. There was surplus sugar production continuously during the last six sugar seasons (October-September). With the carry over stock of 77 Lac Tons of sugar and estimated production in the current sugar season 2016-17, there is sufficient sugar available to meet the domestic requirement/ consumption.

(b)&(C): Sugar production during sugar season 2015-16 was 251.21 Lac M.T. For the current sugar season 2016-17 sugar production is initially estimated at 225.21 Lac M.T. on the basis of cane availability data provided by Department of Agriculture and Cooperation (DAC) in its 1st advance estimate. However, this estimate may be revised downward in view of reported impact of drought conditions in Maharashtra, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana in the last sugar season. There is no decrease in sugar production in Uttar Pradesh. The details of State-wise, sugar production during the last three sugar seasons and initial estimates for current sugar season are at Annexure.

(d) & (e): With the carry over stock of 77 Lac Tons and estimated current season's production, availability of sugar is sufficient to meet the domestic consumption requirement at reasonable prices. Moreover, supply and price situation is monitored on regular basis by the Government and appropriate actions are taken at appropriate time.

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### **ANNEXURE**

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (b)&(c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 4262 TO BE ANSWERED ON  $28^{TH}$  MARCH, 2017 IN LOK SABHA.

Statement showing State-wise, sugar production during last three sugar seasons and the initial Estimates of current sugar season 2016-17

	State	Sugar Production (Figures in Lac Tons)			
SI. No.		Sugar	Sugar	Sugar Season 2015-16	Initial Estimates of
		Season	Season		Sugar Season
		2013-14	2014-15		2016-17
1	Bihar	5.96	5.26	5.03	5.70
2	Haryana	5.37	5.73	5.36	6.19
3	Punjab	4.73	5.36	6.71	6.50
4	Uttarakhand	2.98	3.28	2.74	2.93
5	Uttar				80
	Pradesh	66.13	71.38	68.47	
6	Andhra				5.40
	Pradesh	6.75	5.65	5.52	
7	Telangana	3.32	3.21	2.77	2.22
8	Gujarat	11.78	11.46	11.19	11.67
9	Maharashtra	77.2	105.15	84.72	53.28
10	Karnataka	41.6	49.89	40.48	30.90
11	Tamil Nadu	14.18	12.56	13.65	15
12	Pondicherry	0.52	0.32	0.05	0.08
13	Chhattisgarh	0.68	0.65	0.57	0.57
14	Orissa	0.6	0.43	0.48	0.52
15	Madhya				4.10
	Pradesh	3.51	4.08	3.31	
16	Goa	0.12	0.11	0.1	0.10
17	Rajasthan	0.05	0.07	0.05	0.05
18	West Bengal	0.06	0.05	0.005	0.01
	All India	245.54	284.63	251.21	225.21

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