

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

LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO.445  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018

SUGAR MILLS

\*445. SHRI C.S. PUTTA RAJU:

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

- (a) the number of sugar mills in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the number of sugar mills which are operational and those closed at present;
- (c) the details of the reasons for their closure;
- (d) whether the State Government of Karnataka has decided to restart sugar mills which were closed last year; and
- (e) if so, the details of those sugar mills in Karnataka, district-wise?

A N S W E R  
MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION  
(SHRI RAMVILAS PASWAN)

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(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF  
THE STARRED QUESTION NO. 445 DUE FOR ANSWER ON  
27.03.2018 IN THE LOK SABHA.

(a) to (c) There are 738 sugar mills in the country out of which 521 mills are operational in the current sugar season and remaining mills are closed. The state-wise details of sugar mills is at Annexure. Closure of sugar mill is normally attributable to non-availability of adequate sugarcane, uneconomic size of plant, lack of modernization, high cost of working capital, poor recovery from sugarcane, lack of professional management, overstaffing, financial crunch and lack of adequate irrigation in the catchment area of sugar mill etc.

(d) & (e) It is the responsibility of the concerned entrepreneur to take steps to re-open/revive a closed/sick sugar mill in case of mill in private sector and State Government/UTs concerned in the case of the public and cooperative sugar mills.

As per information furnished by Government of Karnataka, action has been taken by them to revive the following co-operative and public sector sugar mills:

- I. M/s.Hemavathi SSK Ltd., in Hassan District has been leased to Chamundeshwari Sugars Ltd., a private entrepreneur.
- II. M/s. Mysore Sugar Company Ltd., in Mandya District has re-started in the current sugar season 2017-18 with the financial assistance provided by Government of Karnataka.

## ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF THE STARRED QUESTION 445 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 27.03.2018 IN LOK SABHA.

Statement showing State-wise number of installed, operational & closed sugar mills in the country.

(As on 20.03.2018)

S.No	STATE	No. of Installed sugar mills.	* No. of Operated sugar mills During current sugar season 2017-18.	Closed
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1	Punjab	24	16	8
2	Haryana	16	14	2
3	Rajasthan	3	1	2
4	Uttar Pradesh	158	119	39
5	Uttrakhand	10	8	2
6	Madhya Pradesh	27	16	11
7	Chhattisgarh	4	4	0
8	Gujarat	28	17	11
9	Maharashtra	247	186	61
10	Bihar	28	11	17
11	Assam	3	0	3
12	Orissa	8	2	6
13	West Bengal	3	0	3
14	Andhra Pradesh	33	18	15
15	Telangna	11	7	4
16	Karnataka	82	65	17
17	Tamil Nadu	46	36	10
18	Pondicherry	2	0	2
19	Kerala	2	0	2
20	Goa	1	1	0
21	Nagaland	1	0	1
22	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1	0	1
	Total	738	521	217

\*Provisional

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