

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

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3974  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018

PRODUCTION OF SUGAR

3974. ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:

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

- (a) whether it is true that the sugar production for the current sugar season is estimated to be 203 lakh tonnes;
- (b) whether it is also true that the total sugar available is estimated to be 280 lakh tonnes and the domestic requirement is between 240 and 242 lakh tonnes;
- (c) whether it is also true that the closing stock of sugar could be 45 lakh tonnes with the import of five lakh tonnes of sugar; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

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

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(a), (b) & (C): No Madam, the sugar production for the current sugar season 2017-18 has been initially estimated at about 249 Lakh MT which was further revised at about 272 Lakh MT. However, with carry over stock of about 40 Lakh MT of the last sugar season 2016-17 and estimated production of about 272 Lakh MT during current season, the total sugar availability has been estimated at about 312 Lakh MT and the domestic requirement has been estimated at about 250 Lakh MT. As such, closing stock is estimated at 62 Lakh MT.

(d): Does not arise.

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