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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5805 TO BE ANSWERED ON 3rd APRIL 2018

SUGAR MILLS

5805. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN: SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

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

- (a) whether several sugar mills have been shut down or on the verge of closure due to shortage of raw materials in the country;
- (b) if so, the number of sugar mills shut down or sick across the country, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure timely supply of raw materials to these sugar mills along with the details and the outcome thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): During current sugar season 2017-18, there is no shortage of sugarcane in the country for supply as raw material to sugar mills. However, during current sugar season, 217 sugar mills have remained closed due to reasons other than shortage of sugarcane. A statement showing State/UT-wise number of closed sugar mills during current sugar season is at Annexure.
- (c): Does not arise.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5805 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 03.04.2018 IN THE LOK SABHA.

Statement showing State/UT-wise number of closed sugar mills in the country

(As on 20.03.2018)

S.No	STATE/UT	Closed
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Punjab	8
2	Haryana	2
3	Rajasthan	2
4	Uttar Pradesh	39
5	Uttrakhand	2
6	Madhya Pradesh	11
7	Chhattisgarh	0
8	Gujarat	11
9	Maharashtra	61
10	Bihar	17
11	Assam	3
12	Orissa	6
13	West Bengal	3
14	Andhra Pradesh	15
15	Telangna	4
16	Karnataka	17
17	Tamil Nadu	10
18	Pondicherry	2
19	Kerala	2
20	Goa	0
21	Nagaland	1
	Dadra & Nagar	
22	Haveli	1
	Total	217
