GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.6648

TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY THE 06TH APRIL, 2018 CHAITRA 16, 1940 (SAKA)

EXPORT DUTY ON SUGAR

6648. DR. K. GOPAL: SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to lower the existing export duty on sugar to zero/scrap the import duty on sugar in the wake of bumper domestic production this year; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHIV PRATAP SHUKLA)

(a) and (b): In view of higher production of sugar in sugar season 2017-18, and fall in the ex-mill sugar prices in the domestic market, the Government has reduced export duty on raw sugar, white or refined sugar from 20% to Nil vide Notification No. 30/2018- Customs 20.03.2018. Further, import duty on all types of sugar falling under heading 1701, was increased from 50% to 100% vide Notification No. 24/2018-Customs dated 06.02.2018.
