

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3261
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07TH AUGUST, 2018

SUGAR PRODUCTION

3261. SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

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 India's sugar production is estimated to rise by 10 per cent to touch a new record of 35.5 million tonne in the next marketing year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said production is about 2.8-3.3 million tonne higher than the current 2017-18 marketing year 's production of around 32.25 million tonne;
- (d) whether it is also true that according to ISMA, sugar output could go up because of higher availability of sugarcane due to likely increase in acreage and yields from the cane variety Co/0238; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) & (b): Presently, estimates of sugar production for ensuing sugar season 2018-19 are not available with the Central Government.

(c): Does not arise.

(d) & (e): As per information received from Indian Sugar Mills Association (ISMA), the sugar production during next sugar season could go up due to higher availability of cane on account of cane plantation and yield from the cane variety Co/0238. However, as indicated above, Govt. has not made any estimates of sugar production for the next year.
