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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4778 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH MARCH, 2023

SUGAR PRODUCTION

†4778. SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA:

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

- (a) whether 5000 lakh metric tonnes of sugar has been produced in the country during the year 2021-22 and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether India has emerged as the largest sugar producing and consuming country as well as the second largest exporter after Brazil; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a), (b) & (c): During Sugar Season 2021-22, more than 5000 LMT sugarcane was produced in the country, out of which about 3574 LMT of sugarcane was crushed by sugar mills to produce about 359 LMT of sugar, after diversion of about 36 LMT sugar to ethanol production, against approximately 320 LMT of sugar production of Brazil. Consumption of sugar in the country during Sugar season 2021-22 was around 273 LMT, which was highest in the world. About 110 LMT of sugar was exported during Sugar Season 2021-22. This led to make India the world's largest sugar producing and consuming country as well as the 2nd largest exporter of sugar after Brazil.
