

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1716
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30TH JULY, 2025

STRENGTHENING OF COOPERATIVE SUGAR MILLS

1716. SHRI JOYANTA BASUMATARY:
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SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of sugar mills in the country along with the number of Cooperative Sugar Mills, State/UT-wise including the North- Eastern Region and Karnataka;
- (b) whether it is a fact that there is big shortage of sugar mills in North Eastern Region, if so, the number of sugar mills which are inoperative/facing financial issues and need to be revived;
- (c) the number of sugar mills closed down or facing financial problems and require to be revived, State-wise and district-wise in Karnataka;
- (d) the details of the scheme for providing grant-in-aid to National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) for strengthening of Cooperative Sugar Mills;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to establish new sugar mills in Bihar, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the details of the sugar mills and cooperative sugar mills facing difficulties in Maharashtra and the Government support provided to them during the last three years, district-wise?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS,
FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRIMATI NIMUBEN JAYANTIBHAI BAMBHANIYA)

(a): In sugar season 2024-25, total 534 sugar mills are operational across the country out of which 199 sugar mills are co-operatives.

The state wise list of sugar mills is as below;

State	No. of Operational Sugar Mills in SS 2024-25	Operational Cooperative Sugar mills in SS 2024-25
Andhra Pradesh	5	1
Bihar	10	0
Chhattisgarh	4	4
Gujarat	15	13
Haryana	14	11
Karnataka	79	20
Madhya Pradesh	22	2
Maharashtra	200	100
Odisha	2	1
Punjab	15	9
Rajasthan	1	0
Tamilnadu	30	12
Telangana	7	0
Uttar Pradesh	122	23
Uttarakhand	8	3
Total	534	199

(b): There were 4 nos. sugar mills in north eastern region (Assam-3, Nagaland-1) which are not operational. The shortage of sugar mill is majorly due to the unfavourable climatic and geographical condition for sugarcane cultivation.

(c): As per the Government of Karnataka, there are 17 number of sugar mills closed down or facing financial problems in Karnataka, the district wise details of the sugar mills is enclosed as **Annexure-A**.

(d): The Government launched a scheme through NCDC for providing financial assistance to Cooperative Sugar Mills (CSMs) for setting up ethanol plants or cogeneration plants or for working capital or for all three purposes. Ministry has released Rs.1000 crore to NCDC (Rs.500 crore in FY 2022-2023 and 500 crore in FY 2024-25) under the scheme and NCDC has disbursed financial assistance of Rs.10,005 crore to 56 CSMs.

(e): The State Government is planning to revive two closed sugar mills **Sakari and Raiyam** of Bihar State Sugar Corporation Ltd. as well as State Government has filed a petition in NCLT, Kolkata Bench for e-auction of Sasamusa Sugar Mill (In Liquidation).

The Government of Bihar in order to encourage setting up of new sugar mill or expansion of existing sugar mill, declared an incentive policy, 2014, in which Grant of 20% Subsidy on Capital Investment (Plant and Machinery) to a maximum of Rs. 15 Crores, whichever is less are given to sugar mills.

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As per the inputs provided by the Government of Maharashtra, 21 cooperative sugar mills are inoperative and 19 co-operative sugar factories have been revived by way of lease/ Partnership/ Joint venture basis. In addition, NCDC has given financial assistance to the 33 co-operative sugar factories. The details are as follows.

Name of District	Total No. of Sugar mills	Total Rs. in Crore
Solapur	5	821.47
Dharashiv	1	94.00
Pune	2	225.00
Satara	3	506.00
Jalgaon	1	34.74
Beed	2	177.76
Latur	3	181.97
Ahilyangar	8	1004.70
Kolhapur	6	1095.98
Sangli	2	213.90
Total	33	4355.12

- In addition MSC Bank has given financial Assistance on Government guarantee to the 5 co-operative sugar factories. The details are as follows.

Name of District	Total No. of Factories	Total Rs. In Crore
Solapur	2	204.31
Beed	1	150.00
Pune	1	128.00
Nanded	1	147.69
Total	5	630.10

Annexure-A

Sl. No.	Sugar mills closed down or facing financial problems in Karnataka
1	MPM Sugars Ltd. , Bhadravati Taluk , Shimoga District.
2	Gangavati Sugars , Pragati City , Gangavathi Taluk , Koppal District.
3	Bhadra Cooperative Sugar Factory Ltd ., Doddabati, Davangere Taluk & District.
4	Bidar Cooperative Sugar Factory v. Hallikhed, Humanabad Taluk, Bidar District.
5	Markandeya Cooperative Sugar Factory Ltd., Kakati, Belagavi District.
6	Dakshina Kannada Cooperative Sugar Factory Ltd., Brahmavar, Udupi Taluk & District.
7	Nirani Sugars Pvt. Ltd., (Lessee of Sri Sriram Cooperative Sugar Factory Ltd.), Chunchanakatte, KR Nagar Taluk, Mysore District.
8	Basaveshwara Cooperative Sugar Factory Ltd., Kirigeri, Hirekerur Taluk, Haveri District.
9	Gouribidanur Cooperative Sugar Factory Ltd., Gouribidanur, Chikkaballapur District.
10	Mahadeshwar Cooperative Sugar Factory Ltd, Kollegala Taluk, Chamarajanagar District.
11	Vanivilasa Cooperative Sugar Factory Ltd, Hiriya Taluk, Chitradurga District.
12	Sri Devi Sugars Ltd. , Harige , Shimoga Taluk & District.
13	Sallar Jung Sugar Mills Ltd. , Munirabad , Kushtagi Taluk , Koppal District
14	Indian Sugars & Refineries Ltd. , Chittawadagi , Hospet Taluk , Bellary District.
15	SPR Sugars Ltd. Kanchugaranahalli , Ramanagara Taluk and District .
16	Sovereign Industries Ltd., Teradala Village , Jamkhandi Taluk , Bagalkot District .
17	Sundari Sugars Limited (Kampli Cooperative Sugar Factory Ltd), Kampli , Bellary District.