

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 377
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01ST DECEMBER, 2015

DECLINE IN SUGAR PRODUCTION

377. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

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

- (a) whether there is an apprehension of huge decline in the production of sugar in the sugar season 2015-16 due to which the prices of sugar are likely to increase substantially in future; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the remedial steps, including imports, proposed to be taken in this regard?

A N S W E R

MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) & (b): The production of sugar in the country during current sugar season 2015-16 is provisionally estimated at about 260 Lac MTs. With the carry over stock of about 90 Lac MTs, the availability of sugar would be sufficient to meet the domestic demand during the current sugar season 2015-16. As such, the prices of sugar in domestic market are expected to be within normal range.
