

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

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 840  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 2016

PRODUCTION OF ETHANOL

840. SHRI YOGI ADITYA NATH:

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

- (a) whether the Government is encouraging sugar mills to produce ethanol with a view to overcome losses suffered by them;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the mills thereto; and
- (c) the details of ethanol producing mills in the country, State/UT-wise?

A N S W E R

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

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(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Surplus sugar production over domestic demand during last five sugar seasons and depressed sugar price have adversely affected the financial health of the sugar mills. To improve the liquidity positions of sugar mills enabling them to clear cane price arrears in time, the Central Government has, inter-alia, scaled up blending targets from 5% to 10% under Ethanol Blending Programme and fixed remunerative prices for ethanol supplies to Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs). Further, excise duty has been waived off on such supplies for the sugar season 2015-16. Consequently there has been substantial increase in supply of ethanol by sugar mills to OMCs under Ethanol Blending Programme.

(c): The State/UT-wise details of ethanol producing mills in the country, are annexed.

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ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.840 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 1.3.2016 IN THE LOK SABHA

STATEMENT SHOWING STATE-WISE DETAILS OF ETHANOL PRODUCING MILLS IN THE COUNTRY

SL. NO.	STATE	NUMBER OF ETHANOL PRODUCING MILLS
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	06
2	BIHAR	04
3	GUJARAT	07
4	HARYANA	01
5	KARNATAKA	16
6.	MADHYA PRADESH	01
7.	MAHARASHTRA	61
8.	ODISHA	02
9.	PUNJAB	04
10	RAJASTHAN	01
11.	TAMIL NADU	09
12.	TELANGANA	02
13	UTTAR PRADESH	34
14.	UTTARAKHAND	01
	TOTAL	149

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