

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

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4833  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23<sup>rd</sup> DECEMBER, 2014

ASSISTANCE FROM SDF

4833. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:  
SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

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 maintains a Sugar Development Fund (SDF) to aid and assist the sugar factories by way of grant of loans from the fund;
- (b) if so, the details and *modus operandi* of the Fund;
- (c) the number and details of loan applications received from sugar factories approved and sponsored by the State Governments including Maharashtra;
- (d) the number and extent of loans granted against such applications, Statewise;
- (e) the details of such applications pending till date, State-wise; and
- (f) whether the SDF benefits are extended to the Sugarcane farmers also and if so, the details thereof?

A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION  
(SHRI RAOSAHEB PATIL DANVE)

(a): Yes Madam.

(b): The Sugar Development Fund Act, 1982 provides for formation of a fund to be called Sugar Development Fund. The source of the Fund is the proceeds of the duty of excise levied and collected under the Sugar Cess Act, 1982 reduced by the cost of collection, as determined by the Central Government. The Fund is to be used to provide for the financing of activities for development of sugar industry and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

