

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

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3856
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH DECEMBER, 2014**

LIQUIDITY FOR SUGAR INDUSTRY

**3856. SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE:
SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:
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SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:
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KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:**

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

- (a) the details of the operational, sick and closed sugar mills in the country along with the steps taken to revive these mills during each of the last three years and the current year and the number of mills benefitted therefrom, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that the Sugar Industry is facing problem of finance and liquidity crunch, if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has chalked out any special action plan or proposes to provide special economic package to assist the industry and revive the sugar mills and if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to allow manufacture of ethanol from sugarcane to improve viability of sugar mills 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). A Statement showing State-wise numbers of operational and closed sugar mills during last three sugar seasons i.e. 2011-12, 2012-13 and 2013-14 and sick sugar mills is at Annex. The information regarding the closed sugar mills for the current sugar season i.e. 2014-15 would be ascertained at the end of the crushing season.

