

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1839
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08TH MARCH, 2016

RISE IN SUGAR PRODUCTION

1839. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

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

- (a) the quantum of sugar produced during the first quarter of the current sugar marketing year;
- (b) whether there has been a rise in the production as compared to the previous year;
- (c) if so, details thereof State/Union- Territory wise;
- (d) whether certain sugar mills have stopped the work of sugarcane crushing during the current season;
- (e) if so, the number thereof and the reasons therefor, State-wise; and
- (f) whether the said sugar mills have paid the dues of the farmers in full and if so the details thereof?

A N S W E R

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

(a): The quantum of sugar produced during the first quarter i.e. from 1st October, 2015 to 31st December, 2015 of the current sugar season 2015-16 is about 77.70 Lac Tons (Provisional).

(b) & (c): There has been a marginal rise in sugar production i.e. of about 2.97 Lac Tons (Provisional) during the first quarter of the current sugar season 2015-16 as compared to the corresponding period of last sugar season 2014-15. The State/Union Territory-wise sugar production during the first quarter of sugar season 2014-15 and 2015-16 is at Annexure-I.

(d): Yes, Madam.

(e) & (f): As per information received from Cane Commissioners of the sugar producing States, 108 sugar mills have stopped their crushing operation by the end of February, 2016 during the current sugar season mainly due to less availability of sugarcane in their command area. Except one sugar mill in Uttarakhand, other sugar mills have not paid the dues of the farmers in full. The details of State-wise, number of sugar mills stopped crushing operation by the end of February, 2016 during the current sugar season and their farmers' dues position is at Annexure-II.

ANNEXURE -I**ANNEXTURE REFERRED TO REPLY TO PART (b) & (C) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1839 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 08.03.2016 IN THE LOK SABHA**

Statement Showing the sugar production during first quarter (i.e from 1st October to 31st December) of last sugar season 2014-15 and the current sugar season 2015-16

SNo	State/Union Territory	SUGAR PRODUCTION (FIGURES IN LAC TONS)	
		During first quarter of last sugar season 2014-15 (i.e from 1 st October,2014 to 31 st December,2014)	During first quarter of current sugar season 2015-16 (i.e from 1 st October,2015 to 31 st December,2015)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1.50	1.11
2.	Bihar	1.80	1.35
3.	Chhatisgarh	0.12	0.09
4.	Goa	0.02	0.02
5.	Gujarat	3.81	4.39
6.	Haryana	1.08	1.06
7.	Karnataka	13.16	15.10
8.	Madhya Pradesh	0.69	0.87
9.	Maharashtra	31.70	31.96
10.	Odisha	0.10	0.11
11.	Puducherry	0.03	0.00
12.	Punjab	1.15	1.15
13.	Rajasthan	-	-
14.	Tamilnadu	0.78	1.05
15.	Telangana	1.05	0.87
16.	U.P.	16.95	17.86
17.	Uttranchal	0.77	0.69
18.	West Bengal	0.01	-
	Total	74.73	77.70
