GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 743

ANSWERED ON 14.08.2012

LICENCE TO SUGAR MILLS

743. Shri JADHAV PRATAPRAO GANPATRAO

Will the Minister of

CONSUMER AFFAIRS,

FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has imposed a ban on issuance of new licences for setting up of sugar mills in Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to revoke the ban to issue new licence to set up sugar mills?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

- (a) & (b): No Madam. Sugar Industry has been de-licensed vide press note dated 31.08.1998, with which the requirement of license for setting up new sugar mills was dispensed with. The entrepreneurs are now free to set up new sugar mills at their preferred locations subject to compliance of rules & regulations of the Central/State Governments.
- (c): Does not arise.