GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

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

LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. 190 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29™November, 2016 SUGAR PRICES

*190. SHRI NITYANAND RAI:

SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION miHkksDrk ekeys] [kk| vkSj lkoZtfud forj.k ea=h be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the price of sugar has increased in the country in recent months and if so, the details thereof along with the factors contributing to rise in the prices;
- (b) the production of sugar in the country during the last three years and the estimated production for the next year, State-wise;
- (c) whether there is a demand supply gap for sugar in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to bridge the gap;
- (d) whether the Union Government has urged the States to prevent hoarding of sugar by traders so as to bring stability in sugar prices and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the quantum and value of sugar imported/exported by the country in the last four years?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE STARRED QUESTION NO. *190 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 29.11.2016 IN LOK SABHA.

- (a): No, Madam. The all India average ex-mill and retail prices of sugar have been stable in recent months.
- (b): The State-wise details of production of sugar in the country during last three sugar seasons and the estimated production for the current sugar season are at Annexure-I.
- (c): No, Madam. Taking into account the opening stock of 77.1 lakh MT and estimated production of 225.21 lakh MT for the current sugar season 2016-17, there is sufficient availability of sugar in the country to meet the projected domestic demand of 255 lakh MT for the current sugar season.
- (d): With a view, to keep the sugar prices at reasonable level and to ensure smooth supply of sugar for consumers, the Central Government has issued order imposing stock holding and turn over limits on dealers of sugar. State Governments/UTs have been advised to enforce this order to prevent any speculative and hoarding tendencies.
- (e): The details of quantum and value of sugar imported/exported by the country in the last four sugar seasons are at Annexure-II.

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 190 FOR REPLY ON 29.11. 2016 IN THE LOK SABHA

Details of State-wise production of sugar in the country during last three sugar seasons and the estimated production for the current sugar season:

(Figures in	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
lakh Tons)		201112	2010 10	(Estimates)
STATE				(========)
Bihar	5.96	5.26	5.03	5.70
Haryana	5.37	5.73	5.36	6.19
Punjab	4.73	5.36	6.71	6.50
Uttarakhand	2.98	3.28	2.74	2.93
Uttar	66.13	71.38	68.47	80.00
Pradesh				
Andhra	6.75	5.65	5.52	5.40
Pradesh				
Telangana	3.32	3.21	2.77	2.22
Gujarat	11.78	11.46	11.19	11.67
Maharashtra	77.20	105.15	84.72	53.28
Karnataka	41.60	49.89	40.48	30.90
Tamil Nadu	14.18	12.56	13.65	15.00
Pondicherry	0.52	0.32	0.05	0.08
Chhattisgarh	0.68	0.65	0.57	0.57
Orissa	0.60	0.43	0.48	0.52
Madhya	3.51	4.08	3.31	4.10
Pradesh				
Goa	0.12	0.11	0.10	0.10
Rajasthan	0.05	0.07	0.05	0.05
West Bengal	0.06	0.05	0.005	0.005
All India	245.54	284.63	251.21	225.21