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MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO 340 ANSWERED ON 26.11.2012

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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to satate:-

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has warned sugar millers against issuing sale invoices towards the end of the month while the actual financial and physical transactions are done subsequently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the mills are supposed to make the sale of their allocated free sale quota within the period allocated by Government; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the violations made by each mill?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): The sugar mills are required to complete sale and delivery/dispatch of the released non-levy quota within the validity period mentioned in the release order, unless the validity period of the quota is extended by the Government. It came to the notice of the Government that some of the sugar mills are resorting to the practice of issuing sales invoices towards the end of the month while the actual financial and physical transactions were happening subsequently. Directorate of Sugar vide its letter dated 29th August, 2012 has advised these sugar mills to stop any practice which is against the existing rules and regulations issued under the Essential Commodities Act,1955 /Sugar (Control) order,1966.
- (c) & (d): Yes, Sir. After issue of the above said advisory, no complaint of any such violation has been received by the Directorate of Sugar.
