

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

**RAJYA SABHA**  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 351  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2016

**PAYMENT OF DUES TO SUGARCANE FARMERS**

351. SHRI DEREK O BRIEN:

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

- (a) the total amount of arrears due to sugarcane farmers from sugar mills/factories since 2010, year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the number of farmers affected by such overdue payments in each State since 2010 year-wise;
- (c) the number of sugar mills which have received loans from Government to pay these arrears; and
- (d) the proportion of Government loan amount that has been paid to farmers as arrears?

**A N S W E R**

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

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(a): As on 15.02.2016, an amount of Rs.15,949.63 crores are outstanding against the sugar mills. State-wise amount of outstanding sugarcane dues pending against the sugar mills for the current sugar season 2015-16, 2014-15, 2013-14 including earlier seasons is at **Annex**.

(b): Payment of sugarcane dues to farmers is an ongoing process. The dues position of farmers changes continuously on account of fresh supplies received and payment made for previous supplies. Further, farmer-wise dues position of States is not maintained by Central Government.

(c): 465 sugar mills were provided loans of Rs.6420 crores under *Scheme* for Extending Financial Assistance to Sugar Undertakings (SEFASU), 2014 to clear the cane dues of farmers. Further under Soft Loan Scheme Rs.4212 Crores were credited into farmer's account by Banks on behalf of 301 sugar mills towards payment of cane arrears.

(d): As indicated in reply to part (c) of the question above, Rs.10,632 crores has been paid to farmers against their cane price arrears.

## ANNEX

## STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.351 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 26.02.2016 IN THE RAJYA SABHA

## STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT OF ARREARS DUE PENDING DURING LAST TWO YEARS AND CURRENT YEAR

(Rs. in crores)

(As on 15.02.2016)

SL. NO.	STATE	2015-16	2014-15	2013-14 & EARLIER SEASONS	Total
	1	2	3	4	5
1	PUNJAB	465.51	0.80	0.00	466.31
2	HARYANA	451.86	10.84	0.00	462.70
3	RAJASTHAN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	UTTAR PRADESH	7294.44	599.01	112.26	8005.71
5	UTTARAKHAND	363.35	34.53	24.92	422.80
6	MADHYA PRADESH.	177.86	0.00	13.39	191.25
7	GUJARAT	486.32	1.11	13.41	500.84
8	MAHARASHTRA	3134.04	249.78	80.96	3464.78
9	BIHAR	0.00	29.19	40.76	69.95
10	ANDHRA PR.	331.50	38.91	0.00	370.41
11	TELANGANA	0.00	11.91	0.00	11.91
12	KARNATAKA	0.00	295.30	312.48	607.78
13	TAMIL NADU	689.61	318.13	278.49	1286.23
14	ODISHA	28.76	0.58	2.94	32.28
15	WEST BENGAL	0.00	1.82	0.00	1.82
16	PUDUCHERRY	0.00	0.00	9.09	9.09
17	GOA	1.76	0.00	0.00	1.76
18	CHHATTISGARH	44.01	0.00	0.00	44.01
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13469.02</b>	<b>1591.91</b>	<b>888.7</b>	<b>15949.63</b>

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