GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3030 ANSWERED ON:16.03.2001 EXPORT OF SUGAR Y.S. VIVEKANANDA REDDY

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

(a) whether the Pakistan Government has decided to increase its import duty on sugar to stem the inflow of Indian sugar to Pakistan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the quantum of sugar exported to Pakistan so far;

(d) whether it is also a fact that after this decision of Pakistan to raise the import duty, the exports have declined; and

(e) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (\$ SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a),(b),(c),(d) & (e) : Government has no official information about any increase in the import duty on sugar by the Pakistan Government.

As per Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics (DGCI&S) Kolkata during financial year 2000-2001 (upto November, 2000), a total quantity of 1,40,863 MTs. has been physically exported, out of which a quantity of 95,746 MTs. has been exported to Pakistan.

However, as per the latest information furnished by the exporters, out of the total physical export of around 3.72 lakh tonnes (provisional) of sugar made upto 17.2.2001, a quantity of about 1.71 lakh tonnes (provisional) has been exported to Pakistan.