

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:245
ANSWERED ON:07.03.2003
CLOSURE OF SUGAR MILLS
A. VENKATESH NAIK;RAMSHETH THAKUR

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

- (a) the number of sugar mills closed down during the last three years and in current year till date, State-wise;
- (b) the reasons for the closure of these sugar mills;
- (c) the number of sugar mills referred to BIFR for revival during the above period;
- (d) the present status of each mill;
- (e) whether the Government propose to give additional assistance to these sugar mills to revive them; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (f) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.245 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 07-03-2003 IN THE LOK SABHA.

(a) to (f): The number of sugar mills, State-wise, which did not work during the last three sugar seasons viz. 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 and the current sugar season, 2002-2003 are given at Annexure-I; information in respect of the causes of closure of sugar mills is not being maintained.

2. The sick sugar companies of the Private and Public Sectors are covered under the provisions of the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985 (SICA). No case of any sugar factory has been referred to the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) under the said Act.

3. There is no proposal under consideration to extend additional assistance for the revival of closed sugar mills.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (f) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 245 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 07-03-2003 IN THE LOK SABHA.

STATEMENT SHOWING STATE-WISE NUMBER OF SUGAR MILLS WHICH DID NOT WORK DURING SUGAR SEASON 2000, 2000-2001, 2001-2002 AND CURRENT SUGAR SEASON 2002-2003.

STATE 1999-2000 2000-2001 2001-2002 2002-2003 (Provisional)

Punjab	1	1	1	1
Rajasthan	1	2	2	2
Uttar Pradesh	7	7	6	7
Madhya Pradesh	2	3	3	5
Gujrat	4	5	7	5
Maharashtra	10	7	27	23
Bihar	18	18	18	18
Assam	2	2	3	3
Andhra Pradesh	6	6	6	7
Karnataka	3	3	6	11
Tamilnadu	0	0	2	3
Orissa	1	4	4	4
West Bengal	0	0	0	1

Total 55 58 85 90