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

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NEW POLICY FOR SUGAR INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated a new and liberal sugar policy to make sugar industry internationally competitive;
- (b) if so, the details and salient features thereof and the time by which it is likely to be implemented;
- (c) whether the said policy proposes to do away with the current system of distribution of levy sugar, State Advised Price and Cane Area Reservation;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the preventive steps taken to safeguard the interests of the sugarcane farmers and consumers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

- (a)&(b): The Government has not made any change in the existing sugar policy.
- (c),(d)&(e): No decision to do away with the current system of distribution of levy sugar, State Advised Price and Cane Area Reservation has been taken by the Central Government.