

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

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

- (a) the production capacity, production and stock of Ethanol in the country as on date; and
- (b) the details of the sale depots of Ethanol in the country, State-wise?

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): It has been estimated from the sugar industry source that the total production capacity of alcohol is about 3500 million litres per annum out of which the production capacity of ethanol is about 1500 million litres per annum. During 2007-08 sugar season, for an estimated production of 262 lakh tons of sugar, the estimated production of alcohol / ethanol would be 2800 million litres. The Oil Manufacturing Companies procured 272 million litres of ethanol in 2007-08 and is expected to procure about 595 million litres of ethanol in 2008-09.

(b): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.