

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

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ELECTRICITY GENERATION IN SUGAR MILLS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of sugar mills in the country having captive electricity generation capacity;
- (b) whether generation of electricity is helpful in offsetting the general economic loss of these mills; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

- (a). All operative sugar mills in the country generates electricity for their captive requirements of steam and power for sugar production.
- (b) & (c):- Setting up of cogeneration projects for surplus power generation improves economic viability of the sugar mills as they generate revenue by way of selling electricity to the grid.