

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

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SUGARCANE PRICING

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

- (a) whether the sugar industry has requested the Government to devise a new formula linking sugarcane pricing and sugar realisation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) the action taken in this regard?

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) to (c): Yes Madam. A representation has been received from the sugar industry for sugarcane price to be related to realization from sugar and direct realization from by- products on a suitable formula, with minimum price protection to come from Government during years of low sugar realization.

The above proposal of the sugar industry and related requests are to be examined in the context of likely production, demand and availability of sugar, impact on sugarcane prices paid to farmers, implications on sugar prices paid by consumers, etc. Thereafter, the issues will be discussed with all concerned Ministries. The Government will take appropriate decision in the matter after taking into consideration all related aspects.