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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:434 ANSWERED ON:07.07.2009 SUGAR MILLS IN WEST BENGAL Mahato Shri Narahari

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

- (a) the details of sugar mills functioning in West Bengal, sector-wise;
- (b) the details of annual turnover thereof, sector-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up new sugar mills in the co-operative sector in West Bengal during the current year;
- (d) if so, the locations where these co-operative sugar mills are proposed to be established; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

## **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): Only one sugar mill, namely, M/s Khaitan Agro Industries Pvt. Ltd. Plassey, Distt. Nadia which is in Private Sector is functioning.
- (b): The Central Government does not maintain data on annual turnover status of the sugar mills.
- (c): The Central Government has no policy to itself set up new sugar mills. As such, the question of setting up of new sugar mills by the Central Government in the cooperative sector in West Bengal during the current year does not arise.
- (d)&(e): Do not arise.