

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

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

- (a) whether the prices of sugar are on a constant rise inspite of fixing the limit of storage/stock, allowing duty free import and other remedial measures;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details regarding production, consumption, availability and demand of sugar during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (d) the details of the action taken by the Government to control the prices of sugar and increase the production of sugarcane and sugar?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

- (a) No, Madam.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) A statement indicating the Season-wise production, consumption and availability of sugar during the last three sugar seasons and current sugar season is at Annexure-I.
- (d) The Central Government has taken a slew of measures to augment domestic stocks of sugar and to control the prices of sugar, as given in Annexure-II. The Government has also taken a number of measures to increase the production of sugarcane and sugar in the country, details of which are given at Annexure-III.