

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

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

(a) the quantum and price of sugar imported alongwith the total expenditure incurred thereon during each of the last three years, country-wise; and

(b) the reasons for importing sugar in the country?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): The Central Government did not import sugar on its account during last three years.

Production of sugar during the season 2008-09 and 2009-10 declined considerably. To augment domestic availability of sugar and moderate its price, Government took several measures including permission to duty-free import of raw and white/refined sugar upto 31.03.2011.

A statement indicating the quantum and value of sugar imported during each of the last three financial years i.e. 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 is Annexed.