

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1215

ANSWERED ON:29.11.2011

DEMAND FOR SUGAR EXPORT

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

- (a) whether the sugar industry is facing a crisis due to increase in production cost of sugar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Indian Sugar Mills Association (ISMA) has requested the Government to allow export to mitigate the problems of sugar industry;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (e) whether there is also a request to scrap the quota premium to make the sugar exports competitive; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

**Answer**

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

(a): No, Madam.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) & (d): The Indian Sugar Mills Association (ISMA) has represented for export of 30-40 lakh tons of sugar in 2011-12 sugar season. The Government has since considered their demand and allowed export of upto 10 lakh tons of sugar during 2011-12 sugar season under Open General License.

(e): No Madam.

(f): Does not arise.