

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6323

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PROCUREMENT OF FOODGRAINS/SUGAR

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

- (a) the total production and demand of foodgrains and sugar in the country during each of the last three years and the estimated production during the ensuing season;
- (b) the total number of procurement centres opened and the quantum of the said commodities procured during the said period alongwith the estimated procurement during the ensuing season;
- (c) whether the said items were exported/imported during the said period;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether losses were suffered during the said export/import; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which they were compensated or proposed to be compensated?

Answer

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

- (a): Production and demand of foodgrains and sugar in the country are at Annexure- I & II.
- (b): Details of procurement centres opened for wheat rice procurement and quantities procured along with estimates for ensuing season are at Annexure -III, IV, V & VI.
- (c) & (d): Yes, Madam. Details of foodgrains and sugar export and Import are at Annexure-VII.
- (e) & (f): Export and import of foodgrains and sugar has not been undertaken by the Government on commercial basis for the last three years, therefore, question of profit -losses or compensation does not arise.