

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken a decision to export sugar;
- (b) if so, the quantum of sugar allowed to be exported;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed the quota of sugar for export for every sugar mill on the basis of its production;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether many sugar mills have sold their quota within the country itself on premium; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof indicating the names of such sugar mills?

Answer

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

(a) to (b): The Central Government do not export sugar on its own account. However, during current sugar season 2011-12, the Government had allowed export of 20 lakh tons of raw and white/refined sugar in two tranches of 10 lakh tons each by obtaining release order from the Directorate of Sugar and thereafter, vide Notification No. S.O. 1059(E) dated 11.05.2012 has placed export of sugar under Open General Licence (OGL) without any restriction.

(c)&(d): The quota for export of 20 lakh tons allowed under first two tranches of 10 lakh tons each during 2011-12, were allocated to sugar mills on pro-rata basis by taking into account their average sugar production of last three preceding sugar seasons. However, since export of sugar has been placed under OGL without restrictions, no such quota have been allocated to sugar mills.

(e): Under two tranches of 10 lac tons each, the sugar mills to whom the export quota was allocated, were given the options to export sugar from its own production or to source from some other factory in order to minimize the transportation cost etc. The Central Government does not maintain record of sugar mills, if any, which sold its quota on premium.

(f): Does not arise.