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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1221 ANSWERED ON:03.03.2015 SUGAR EXPORT Shetti Shri Raju alias Devappa Anna

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

- (a) the quantum of sugar export approved for sugar season 2014-15 and 2015-16 along with the quantum actually exported till date;
- (b) whether the stock position and the domestic demand of sugar had been considered before approving the said export;
- (c) if so, the details thereof indicating the stock, production and demand of sugar during the said period;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to provide any assistance/concession for the said exports; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI RAOSAHEB PATIL DANVE)

- (a): Presently, export of sugar is free without quantitative restrictions, subject to prior registration of quantity with the Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT). As per data maintained by Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence & Statistics (DGCIS), Kolkata, about 4.11Lakh MT of sugar has been exported from the country under different scheme during current sugar season 2014-15 (upto December, 2014).
- (b) & (c) The decision to allow free export of sugar was taken keeping in view the stock position and domestic demand of sugar along with other factors. The estimated carryover stock, production and demand of sugar during 2014-15 sugar season are 72.13 Lakh MT, 265 Lakh MT and 248 Lakh MT respectively. It is too early to estimate such data for ensuing sugar season 2015-16 (1st October, 2015-30th September, 2016).
- (d) & (e) As indicated in reply to part (a) above, export of sugar is free and no assistance/concession for the same is extended by the Government. However, with a view to encourage marketing and promotion services of raw sugar production, Government has decided to provide incentive @ Rs 4000 per MT for export of raw sugar during the current sugar season 2014-15 limited to a quantity of 14 Lakh MT.