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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3389 ANSWERED ON:17.03.2015 PRODUCTION OF SUGAR Khaire Shri Chandrakant Bhaurao

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

(a) the total quantum of sugarcane purchased and sugar produced by the sugar mills during the last three years;

(b) the quantity of the sugar out of the above that was exported along with the prices at which exports were made; and

(c) the measures taken by the Government to assist the industry and increase the produ- ction of sugar in the country and the success achieved therein?

Answer

MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI RAMVILAS PASWAN)

(a): As per online information/data submitted by the sugar mills, the quantum of sugarcane purchased/crushed and sugar produced by them during the last three sugar seasons i.e. from 2011-12 to 2013-14 is given below:-

Sugar Season Sugarcane Sugar (October- purchased/ Produced September) crushed (Qty. In (Qty. In Lac MTs) Lac MTs)

2011-12 2555.16 263.43 2012-13 2501.83 251.83 2013-14 2397.52 245.54 (Provisional)

(b): As per data maintained by the Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics (DGCIS), Kolkata, the total quantity of sugar including sugar produced from sugarcane exported from the country along with its total value is given as under:-

Sugar Sugar Exported Season Quantity Value (October- (In Lac MTs) (Rs. In September) Crores)

2011-12 36.735 11357.24 2012-13 12.020 3613.88 2013-14 26.849 7277.81 (c): With a view to encourage sugar production, the Central Government provides concessional loans to sugar factories from Sugar Development Fund (SDF) for modernization of plant and machinery, up-gradation of technology and sugarcane development including better irrigation facilities, improved seed variety, ratoon management etc. The sugar production over the last four sugar seasons has been in excess of domestic consumption.