GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2417 ANSWERED ON:25.07.2014 IMPORT OF SUGAR Choudhary Col. (Retd) Sona Ram

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the rate of duty imposed on the import of various grades of sugar into the country at present;
- (b) whether the sugar lobby of the country has addressed their concern in this regard to the Government during the recent time; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and response of the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a): The rate of basic customs duty applicable to various grades of sugar is as under:-

Commodity Tariff Rate Effective Rate Raw Sugar 100% 15% White/Refined 100% 15% Khandsari Sugar 100% 60%

(b) &(c): Requests have been received from the various stakeholders for increase in import duty on sugar. Upon consideration of all relevant aspects, the Government has decided not to disturb the import duty structure on sugar for the present.