

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:427
ANSWERED ON:23.12.2014
SUGAR MILLS
Vasava Shri Parbhubhai Nagarbhai

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

- (a) the number of sugar mills in cooperative, private and public sectors operating in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the details of unit cost of production of sugar and the factors taken into account for determining the same;
- (c) whether the Government has received requests from the States for providing assistance for upgradation/modernisation of sugar mills in the co-operative sector;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto indicating the number of requests received and assistance provided during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (e) the details of the assistance provided for development of the co-operative mills and the manner in which it was utilised during the said period along with the success achieved therein?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF THE STARRED QUESTION NUMBER 427 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 23.12.2014 IN THE LOK SABHA.

(a): A statement showing the state-wise number of sugar mills in the cooperative, private and public sectors operated during the sugar season 2013-14 (October - September) in the country is Annexed.

(b): The Government no longer determines the unit cost of production of sugar.

(c) & (d): No Madam. The Government has not received any request from the State Governments for providing assistance for upgradation/modernization of sugar mills in the co-operative sector. The mills route their proposal for assistance for cane development only through the State Governments; while requests for assistance in respect of upgradation/modernization, setting up co-generation and ethanol capacities are submitted directly by the mills.

(e) The Government has provided assistance through loans from Sugar Development Fund at concessional rate of interest to the cooperative sugar mill for their development. The details of assistance, manner of utilization and success therein for the last three years and the current year (upto 15.12.2014) are as under:-

S. No.	No. of cooperative sugar mills	Assistance provided (Rs. In Crore)	Manner of utilization	Success achieved
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| 1. | 27 | 251 | Modernization- cum-expansion of existing plant | 13450 TCD additional capacity created |
| 2. | 23 | 357 | Creation of Cogeneration capacity | 214 MW additional capacity created |
| 3. | 4 | 32 | Setting up of Ethanol plant | 145 KLPD additional capacity created |
| 4. | 22 | 54 | Cane | The funds |

Development have been
utilized
for imple-
menting the
various
schemes of
cane
development
undertaken
by sugar
factories.