GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1477 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12th FEBRUARY, 2019

SUGARCANE PROCUREMENT

1477. SHRIMATI JAYSHREEBEN PATEL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the new rate of Fair and Remunerative Price for sugarcane procurement determined on the basis of selling price of sugar and its coproducts; and
- (b) whether the middlemen, agents and traders in sugar sector have been exposed, if so, the number of persons arrested in these cases and the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a): The Central Government fixes Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP) of sugarcane having regard to the factors mentioned in Clause 3(1) of the Sugarcane (Control) Order, 1966 viz., cost of production of sugarcane; return to the growers from alternative crops and the general trend of prices of agricultural commodities; availability of sugar to consumers at a fair price; price at which sugar produced from sugarcane is sold by sugar producers; recovery of sugar from sugarcane; realization made from sale of by-products viz. molasses, bagasse and press mud or their imputed values; and reasonable margins for the growers of sugarcane on account of risk and profits.

The Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP) of sugar cane for sugar season 2018-19 has been fixed at Rs. 275/ qtl at 10% recovery.

(b): No such incidence has been reported by any States to this Department.