

**Non-payment of Levy Sugar Price Equalization Fund**

†673. SHRI ASHK ALI TAK : Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the reasons for non-payment of Levy Sugar Price Equalization Fund (LSPEF) claims to CONFED; and
- (b) the reasons for not refixing the levy sugar margin during the last eleven years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) The Levy Sugar Price Equalization Fund (LSPEF) claims are submitted by the CONFED to the Food Corporation of India (FCI) for payment. The FCI has informed that payment of levy sugar bills submitted by CONFED for the period upto December, 2011 has already been paid on provisional basis. The bills for the period January, 2012 to March, 2012 and supplementary bills for the period September, 2011 to November, 2011 were submitted by CONFED to FCI on 19.02.2013 only and the same are under process.

(b) The levy sugar margins for the period 1999-2000 to 2010-11 could not be fixed, so far, due to non-submission of supportive documents by CONFED. However, the subsidy claims of CONFED/State Government are being settled on provisional basis.

**Action on Anti-competitive agreements by CCI**

674. SHRI C.M. RAMESH : Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any steps have been taken by the Competition Commission of India (CCI) for anti-competitive agreements under the Competition Act, 2002; and
- (b) if so, the steps taken during the last three years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS (SHRI SACHIN PILOT) : (a) and (b) During the last three years, the Competition Commission of India (CCI) has passed cease and desist orders in 14 cases and cease and desist orders along with a penalty of Rs. 7354.118 crore in another 14 cases of anti-competitive agreements. The parties against whom such orders were passed belonged to the following States:—

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