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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 716 TO BE ANSWERED ON 7TH FEBRUARY, 2020

SUGAR SUBSIDY TO ANDHRA PRADESH

716. SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY:

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

- (a) the details of sugar subsidy released to the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last five years;
- (b) the details of sugar subsidy yet to be released to the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the Central Government has reduced sugar subsidy being given to States during the last three years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

A N S W E R MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DANVE RAOSAHEB DADARAO)

(a)&(b): About Rs.531.84 crore of sugar subsidy has been released to the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last five years. Financial Year wise details of sugar subsidy released during the last five years is as under-

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Sugar Subsidy Released (Rs. in crore)
1.	2014-15	160.72
2.	2015-16	174.44
3.	2016-17	126.32
4.	2017-18	50.02
5.	2018-19	20.34
Total		531.84

Further during current Financial Year 2019-20, a total sugar subsidy of about Rs.15.25 crore has been released to the State of Andhra Pradesh, upto the Sept,2019.

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(c) &(d): After the implementation of National Food Security Act (NFSA), 2013 in the country, the Government reviewed the sugar subsidy scheme and has decided to continue it only for Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) families w.e.f. 01.06.2017. The Central Government is reimbursing a fixed subsidy of Rs. 18.50 per kg @ 1 kg per month per AAY family to the participating States/ UTs.
