

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:70  
ANSWERED ON:05.12.2003  
PRODUCTION OF CEMENT  
CHANDRA NATH SINGH

**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total production of cement during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether the annual production of cement is sufficient to meet the demand;
- (c) if not, the steps taken by the Government to fill the gap between demand and supply of cement in the country;
- (d) whether the Government are aware about recent price rise in cement;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to check the price rise in cement?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY ( SHRI ARUN JAITLEY )

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

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No.70 for answer on 5th December, 2003 regarding production of cement

(a)&(b): The production and consumption of cement during the last three years and the current year in respect of large cement plants are given in the statement below:-

( In Million Tonnes )

Year	Installed Capacity	Capacity Utilization (%)	Production	Consumption (Domestic)	Exports
2000-01	114.91	81	93.61	90.29	3.15
2001-02	129.76	79	102.40	99.01	3.38
2002-03	136.97	81	111.35	107.59	3.37
2003-04 (Upto Oct `03)	141.88	80	66.05	63.85	1.88

(c): Does not arise in view of (a) & (b) above.

(d) to (f): Cement is a fully decontrolled commodity and its price is determined by market forces of demand and supply. The Government does not have any role in fixing the price of cement. It, however, monitors the price trends. The price prevalent in major consumption centres as given in Annexure since November, 2002 shows a marginal increase in price in few major consumption centres during the month of November, 2003 over the price prevalent in October, 2003. However, the prices of cement in major consumption centres for the month of November, 2003 were comparable to prices prevalent in November, 2002.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (d) to (f) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No.70 regarding production of cement

Region/Centre Nov `02 Dec`02 Jan `03 Feb `03 Mar `03 Apr.`03 May`03 June`03 July`03 Aug`03 Sep `03 Oct `03 Nov`03 Average  
Northern Region

Delhi 133 130 122 121 126 126 131 128 123 125 120 124 132 126

Karnal 137 135 130 128 128 129 133 133 130 131 127 131 137 131  
Chandigarh 145 142 142 142 142 144 146 146 143 144 144 144 144 144  
Jaipur 125 119 111 108 111 117 122 117 115 113 111 111 123 116  
Rohtak 127 124 119 117 118 119 125 126 122 122 118 122 129 122  
Bhatinda 143 139 139 139 139 144 141 141 140 141 141 141 146 141  
Ludhiana 151 143 143 142 143 153 154 154 151 147 147 147 155 148  
Jammu 188 186 185 182 185 185 187 187 187 187 189 189 189 187  
Shimla 157 155 155 154 157 160 159 158 154 153 153 153 153 155

#### Eastern Region

Calcutta 153 153 153 151 153 156 156 156 156 154 154 154 154 154  
Patna 136 136 131 128 138 143 138 138 137 137 130 131 136  
Bhubaneswar 141 140 141 141 145 146 145 148 145 145 140 128 130 141  
Guwahati 172 172 172 172 172 172 172 172 172 172 172 172 172  
Muzaffarpur 138 138 133 127 136 143 144 143 138 137 136 133 139 137  
Silchar

#### Western Region

Bombay 166 164 163 163 164 166 164 158 153 153 149 154 159 160  
Ahmedabad 131 136 136 130 131 132 132 126 121 118 113 113 105 125  
Nagpur 122 124 117 120 120 119 117 122 118 118 111 124 129 120  
Pune 140 145 131 130 134 139 133 131 133 117 110 130 135 131  
Rajkot 131 136 136 130 131 132 132 126 121 118 111 113 105 125  
Baroda 131 136 136 130 131 132 132 126 121 118 113 113 105 125  
Surat 131 136 136 130 131 132 132 126 121 118 113 113 105 125

#### Southern Region

Chennai 130 130 150 155 158 158 160 158 160 147 144 134 137 148

Thiruvana-  
nthapuram 146 162 165 165 165 170 169 170 159 153 142 150 158 139

Bangalore 145 145 145 145 150 150 160 159 155 147 144 140 142 148  
Hyderabad 135 135 135 135 125 125 121 113 106 99 95 101 118 119  
Calicut 144 148 162 165 165 165 170 169 170 159 153 142 150 159  
Visakhapatnam 145 145 145 145 130 130 130 128 120 115 115 118 127 130  
Goa 143 149 141 137 145 141 157 155 145 138 124 131 133 141

#### Central Region

Lucknow 125 121 119 122 124 132 136 129 122 123 117 118 118 124  
Meerut 130 128 125 125 125 131 135 133 129 126 124 126 131 128  
Faizabad 118 115 115 115 120 129 136 128 121 120 112 117 118 120  
Bareilly 131 126 125 126 130 133 135 133 131 126 120 130 128 129  
Bhopal 112 112 111 110 110 117 116 114 113 113 109 108 110 112