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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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(DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION)**

New Delhi, the 8th February, 2018

ORDER

G.S.R. (E). – In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955) read with the clause 5 of the Sugar (Control) Order, 1966, the Central Government hereby directs that no producer of sugar shall hold sugar stocks less than the quantity at the end of the month mentioned below:

- a. February, 2018: Not less than 83% of the closing stock as on the last date of January, 2018 + the sugar produced during the month of February, 2018 – sugar exported during the month of February, 2018.
- b. March, 2018: Not less than 86% of the closing stock as on the last date of February, 2018 + the sugar produced during the month of March, 2018 – sugar exported during the month of March, 2018.

2. Closing stock of sugar of individual producer at the end of the month shall be calculated as under:

“Opening stock of sugar as on 1st day of the month + sugar produced during that month - sugar sold from the sugar mill during the month - sugar exported during the month”.

3. Further, in exercise of powers conferred by clause 15 of the Sugar (Control) Order, 1966, the Central Government also hereby authorises the State Governments and the Union territory administrations to enforce this order.

4. This order shall come into force from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

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