

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Issue regarding non-availability of fertilizers like DAP and urea in the state of Andhra Pradesh.

SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU (NARASARAOPET):

Sir, recently I had an opportunity to speak with the Agriculture Society Chairman and Members of my constituency in my area of Palnadu. ... *(Interruptions)* They came up with numerous problems with regard to the farmers. ... *(Interruptions)* Primary among the problems they expressed was the non-availability of fertilizers like DAP and urea in our State of Andhra Pradesh. ... *(Interruptions)* Considering this state of affairs, there is also big black-marketing happening in that area. ... *(Interruptions)* Considering this state of affairs, I would request that the Centre makes fertilizers available to the State without any further delay, provides a detailed timeline when it will be done, and keeps the rate of the DAP at the rate of Rs.1200 per bag instead of Rs.1650 for farmers in areas experiencing severe economic losses due to the heavy rainfall. ... *(Interruptions)* I additionally request that urgent recognition may be given to the farmers and development of indigenous capabilities to meet our fertilizer needs be ramped up. ... *(Interruptions)*

Through the hon. Chairperson, I humbly request the Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers and the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare to take action on the above issues. Thank you very much. ... *(Interruptions)*