

DEPARTMENT OF SPACE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI): (a) No Science and Technology Park as such has been set up by the Government in Bangalore so far. However, a Software Technology Park (STP) was established by the Department of Electronics (DOE) during October, 1990 as an autonomous society in Bangalore. This has been merged into an agency called Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) set up by the DOE during 1991.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d). Do not arise, Sir.

[*Translation*]

Fertilizers

*114. SHRI SATYNARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of each type of fertilizer being produced in the country at present vis-a-vis its production target;

(b) their demand and supply, type-wise; and

(c) the subsidy being provided to each type of fertilizer during 1993-94 so far?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV): (a) Out of the three main fertilizer nutrients, namely, nitrogen, phosphate and potash, the country produces only nitrogenous and phosphatic fertilizers. The requirement of potash is met wholly through imports. For the year 1993-94, a production target of 100 lakh tonnes of fertilizer nutrients, comprising 78 lakh tonnes of nitrogen and 22 lakh tonnes of phosphate, has been fixed.

(b) The details of likely consumption, production and import of fertilizers in terms of nutrients during the year 1993-94 are as under:-

(in lakh tonnes)

Fertilizer Nutrient	Likely Consumption	Likely Production	Likely Import
Nitrogen	94.20	73.20	15.44
Phosphate	28.43	18.30	7.36
Potash	9.00	-	7.20

Note: Carry-over stocks of the previous year were also available during this year.

(c) The details of fertilizer subsidy paid during the current financial year upto 31.12.1993 are as under:—

(Rs. in crores)

(i)	Subsidy on indigenous nitrogenous and phosphatic fertilizers, including freight subsidy.	2612.79
(ii)	Subsidy on Imported fertilizers	475.75
TOTAL :		3088.54

Note: The subsidy paid on phosphatic fertilizers pertains to the period prior to 25.8.1992, the date of their decontrol.

Even in the case of phosphatic and potassic fertilizers, which are decontrolled, a special concession of Rs. 1000/- per tonne on indigenous DAP, along with proportionate concession on complex fertilizers and Single Superphosphate, and Rs.1000/- per tonne on imported NOP, is being given by the Government of India through the State Governments.

Pilotless Aircraft

*115. SHRI RAJENDRA
AGNIHOTRI:
SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN
SHARAN SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the first Pilotless Target Aircraft 'Lakshya' is being manufactured in collaboration with some other country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which the siad aircraft is likely to be put to use; and

(d) the estimated cost involved in its manufacture?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) It is expected to be inducted into Service-use by 1996.

(d) One Squadron comprising of five Lakshya PTA associated ground control system and set of spares is estimated to cost about Rs. 15 crores.

Coast Guard

[English]

*116. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to increase the strength of Coast Guard during 1994 and 1995;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any action plan has been drawn up for requisition of off-shore vessels, patrol vessels and other requirements of Coast Guard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.