

Low Capacity Utilisation of Fertilizer Plants in Public Sector

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(a) whether capacity of utilisation in Fertilizer production in Public Sector Plants is very low compared to the Private Sector's Plants, and

(b) what steps Government propose to take to increase the production of Fertilizers in the Public Sector and whether any study has been made to find the reasons of low capacity utilisation in Public Sector?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH)

(a) and (b) The capacity utilisation of some of the fertilizer plants in the public sector has not been as high as in the private sector. Studies have been carried out to identify the factors inhibiting fuller utilisation of capacity in these plants. Based on these studies, appropriate remedial measures have been taken, or are being taken with a view to optimising production and a measure of success has been achieved.

Production of Urea at Fertilizer Plants

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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state

(a) whether the progress of urea production has not been satisfactory in the fertilizer plants,

(b) if so the progress made in producing urea during the last three years, and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to increase production thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH)

(a) and (b) The production of urea has been steadily on the increase in the last 3 years i.e. from 72,000 tonnes in 1969-70 to 1066,000 tonnes in 1970-71 and to 1,237,000 tonnes in 1971-72.

(c) Steps have been taken or are being taken to increase the capacity for production of urea in the country by setting up new fertilizer plants and by expansion of the existing plants wherever feasible. These are in addition to measures that are being taken on a continuing basis to optimise production in the existing units.

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(क) क्या राजस्थान सरकार राज्य में एक और तेल शोधक कारखाना स्थापित किये जाने की मांग कर रही है और

(ख) यदि हा तो उस पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

पेट्रोलियम और रसायन मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री दलबीर सिंह) . (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

ईराक में रेलवे लाइन का निर्माण

5007 श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) क्या ईराक में रेलवे लाइन बिछाने का कार्य भारतीय विशेषज्ञों द्वारा किया जा रहा है ,