

## Statement-II

## State-wise and year-wise breakup of expenditure on the Central Sector Scheme of Studies in Artificial Recharge of Ground Water

(Amount in rupees)

Sl. No.	Name of the State/UT	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	Total
1.	Andhra Pradesh	-	-	2,12,000	-	2,12,000
2.	Karnataka	39,49,459	16,61,957	13,64,690	6,60,265	76,36,371
3.	Kerala	-	-	6,88,273	24,35,000	31,23,273
4.	Madhya Pradesh	-	-	7,12,500	4,64,000	11,76,500
5.	Maharashtra	57,64,000	42,26,280	10,92,933	2,20,802	1,13,04,015
6.	Tamil Nadu	-	-	8,50,000	6,50,000	15,00,000
7.	West Bengal	-	-	99,250	38,250	1,37,500
8.	NCT of Delhi	2,12,000	35,41,257	28,64,399	5,12,361	71,30,017
9.	UT of Chandigarh	-	-	2,22,000	5,28,000	7,50,000
		99,25,459	94,29,494	81,06,045	55,08,678	3,29,69,676

[Translation]

## Availability of Fertilizer

\*342. SHRI TEJVEER SINGH :

SHRI RAMPAL SINGH :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that the farmers are facing a lot of difficulties due to non-availability of fertilizers and are compelled to sow without using fertilizers;

(b) if so, whether the Government have taken any firm steps to make fertilizers available to the farmers; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL) : (a) to (c) Urea is the only fertiliser which is under statutory price control and for which assessment of demand and allocation are made. Availability of urea is adequate during the current Rabi season and there are no reports of any shortages. The other fertilizers are decontrolled and Government do not control their distribution and movement. The overall availability of important phosphatic and potassic fertilizers like Di-ammonium Phosphate (DAP) and Muriate of Potash (MOP) is also adequate to meet the requirements of the Rabi season. However, pockets of shortages of DAP had been reported from the States of Rajasthan,

Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Punjab and Haryana. This was mainly due to bunching of imported DAP at the ports during the months of October and November and a sharp increase in the demand due to increase sown area under wheat. However, accelerated despatches have improved the availability.

The steps taken to improve the availability of DAP in the affected areas include priority berthing of DAP vessels at ports, speedy evacuation of DAP by rail from the plants and ports and priority import of 55,000 tonnes of DAP.

## Employment through FPI

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Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are possibilities of providing employment to the maximum number of unemployed persons by encouraging and promoting cottage and small-scale industries under the food processing industries;

(b) if so, whether the Government have formulated any promotional scheme to set up such industrial units sectors in cottage and small scale; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL) : (a) to (c) Government is conscious of the high employment generating