

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UN-STARRED QUESTION NO. 771 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 26.07.2024**

**BLACK MARKETING OF FERTILIZERS**

771: SHRI. ARUN BHARTI:  
SMT. DELKAR KALABEN MOHANBHAI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the difficulties being faced by farmers due to black marketing of fertilizers and unprecedented increase in its price in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the response of Government thereto;
- (c) the details of availability, demand and supply of various fertilizers in accordance with the requirement of farmers during the current cropping season, State/UT-wise including Bihar, Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Daman and Diu; and
- (d) the details of action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to stop/check price hike and black marketing of fertilizers in the country?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a), (b) & (d): Urea is provided to the farmers at a statutorily notified Maximum Retail Price (MRP). The MRP of 45 kg bag of Urea is Rs.242 per bag (exclusive of charges towards neem coating and taxes as applicable). Besides, Government of India has laid down reasonable guidelines for P&K fertilizers which ensure that P&K fertilizers are available at reasonable prices to farmers. Accordingly, all farmers are being supplied fertilizers at the subsidized rates.

Further, fertilizers are declared as an essential commodity under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 and notified under Fertilizer Control Order, 1985. State Governments are empowered to take action against persons involved in black-marketing, hoarding and smuggling as per provisions of EC Act. Any complaint received at Department of Fertilizers level regarding black marketing of fertilizers is sent to concerned State Government, to take appropriate action under Essential Commodities Act, 1955 and Fertilizer Control Order, 1985.

(c): The availability of fertilizers i.e. Urea, DAP, MOP and NPKS has remained comfortable across the states in the country including Bihar, Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Daman and Diu during the current cropping season (Kharif 2024 as on 23.07.2024) as per the **Annexure**.

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**Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) of Lok Sabha Un-starred Question No. 771 for answering on 26.07.2024**

**PRODUCT & STATE WISE POSITION FOR KHARIF 2024 (UPTO 23.07.2024)**

**DEMAND, AVAILABILITY/SUPPLY AND SALES OF FERTILIZER DURING KHARIF 2024 (UPTO 23.07.2024)**

**fig. in LMT**

S. No	State	UREA				DAP				MOP				NPKS			
		DEMAND FOR KHARIF 2024	DEMAND FROM 01.04.24 TO 23.07.2024	AVAILABILITY/SUPPLY FROM 01.04.24 TO 23.07.2024	SALES FROM 01.04.24 TO 23.07.2024	DEMAND FOR KHARIF 2024	DEMAND FROM 01.04.24 TO 23.07.2024	AVAILABILITY/SUPPLY FROM 01.04.24 TO 23.07.2024	SALES FROM 01.04.24 TO 23.07.2024	DEMAND FOR KHARIF 2024	DEMAND FROM 01.04.24 TO 23.07.2024	AVAILABILITY/SUPPLY FROM 01.04.24 TO 23.07.2024	SALES FROM 01.04.24 TO 23.07.2024	DEMAND FOR KHARIF 2024	DEMAND FROM 01.04.24 TO 23.07.2024	AVAILABILITY/SUPPLY FROM 01.04.24 TO 23.07.2024	SALES FROM 01.04.24 TO 23.07.2024
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	Andhra Pradesh	6.50	2.53	6.17	2.26	2.30	0.87	1.53	0.58	0.70	0.27	0.79	0.26	7.00	2.78	6.48	1.70
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	Assam	1.63	0.96	1.91	0.96	0.36	0.20	0.27	0.13	0.19	0.11	0.34	0.18	0.20	0.14	0.27	0.07
5	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>9.87</b>	<b>4.10</b>	<b>9.41</b>	<b>2.60</b>	<b>2.50</b>	<b>1.61</b>	<b>1.98</b>	<b>0.66</b>	<b>0.35</b>	<b>0.26</b>	<b>0.66</b>	<b>0.11</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>1.45</b>	<b>2.79</b>	<b>0.56</b>
6	Chandigarh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	Chhattisgarh	6.50	5.13	6.92	5.02	3.40	2.81	2.86	2.39	0.58	0.46	0.72	0.46	1.20	0.92	1.97	1.28
8	<b>Dadra and Nagar Haveli</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
9	<b>Daman and Diu</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
10	Delhi	0.08	0.06	0.15	0.11	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	Goa	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01
12	Gujarat	11.85	7.13	9.22	6.05	3.50	2.78	2.52	1.94	0.35	0.28	0.41	0.13	3.00	2.30	4.24	2.05
13	Haryana	10.30	6.93	10.33	6.51	3.20	2.10	1.81	1.38	0.30	0.19	0.44	0.15	0.50	0.27	0.48	0.17
14	Himachal Pradesh	0.34	0.22	0.35	0.23	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.16	0.10	0.13	0.08

15	Jammu and Kashmir	0.78	0.65	0.97	0.55	0.24	0.21	0.25	0.13	0.09	0.08	0.10	0.06	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.00
16	Jharkhand	1.65	0.88	1.57	0.47	0.65	0.36	0.35	0.15	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.00	0.35	0.26	0.45	0.13
17	Karnataka	10.75	6.14	11.61	6.34	3.90	2.77	3.71	2.56	1.30	0.79	1.43	0.60	9.90	6.04	12.69	5.79
18	Kerala	0.54	0.32	0.56	0.29	0.10	0.05	0.09	0.06	0.42	0.25	0.37	0.20	0.77	0.47	0.73	0.30
19	Lakshadweep	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
20	Madhya Pradesh	15.38	7.98	16.04	10.82	8.57	5.11	5.33	4.13	0.45	0.24	0.85	0.28	2.50	1.44	5.25	2.77
21	Maharashtra	13.73	8.49	17.53	9.43	5.00	3.19	3.87	2.60	1.30	0.82	1.71	0.58	18.00	11.26	21.69	10.85
22	Manipur	0.16	0.14	0.09	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
23	Meghalaya	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00
24	Mizoram	0.07	0.04	0.08	0.06	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
25	Nagaland	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
26	Odisha	4.20	2.57	4.27	1.57	2.16	1.60	1.40	0.72	0.60	0.38	0.54	0.17	2.00	1.43	1.97	0.53
27	Puducherry	0.08	0.05	0.06	0.04	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.02	0.05	0.02
28	Punjab	11.50	10.26	17.02	11.22	3.60	1.92	2.30	1.39	0.50	0.32	0.50	0.17	1.00	0.75	0.51	0.15
29	Rajasthan	11.20	6.50	9.77	5.11	5.50	3.26	2.74	1.94	0.11	0.05	0.08	0.04	0.75	0.47	0.94	0.54
30	Sikkim	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
31	Tamil Nadu	4.91	2.66	4.76	2.79	1.40	0.81	0.99	0.55	1.04	0.60	0.78	0.41	4.54	2.59	4.26	2.00
32	Telangana	10.40	6.46	9.81	3.64	2.40	1.82	1.98	1.35	0.60	0.37	0.40	0.10	10.00	6.61	7.85	3.68
33	Tripura	0.08	0.05	0.16	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01
34	Uttarakhand	1.00	0.76	1.17	0.83	0.15	0.13	0.22	0.10	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.01	0.20	0.14	0.12	0.06
35	Uttar Pradesh	38.00	21.44	39.90	15.90	9.05	5.18	7.90	3.87	0.47	0.18	0.82	0.16	6.00	2.74	4.28	1.30
36	West Bengal	5.60	3.31	7.53	2.57	1.80	0.98	1.19	0.37	0.80	0.45	1.17	0.34	4.00	1.67	6.35	1.73
	<b>All India</b>	<b>177.12</b>	<b>105.77</b>	<b>187.42</b>	<b>95.49</b>	<b>59.87</b>	<b>37.85</b>	<b>43.36</b>	<b>27.05</b>	<b>10.26</b>	<b>6.17</b>	<b>12.28</b>	<b>4.43</b>	<b>74.19</b>	<b>43.92</b>	<b>83.57</b>	<b>35.81</b>

\* Primary Indicator of comfortable availability: Availability > Demand

\*\* Secondary Indicator of comfortable availability: Availability > Sales

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