

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS  
LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 852 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 26.07.2024**

**PM-PRANAM**

852: DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:  
SHRI BASAVARAJ BOMMAI:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:  
SHRI LUMBA RAM:  
SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:  
SHRI ARVIND DHARMAPURI:  
DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:  
DR. HEMANT VISHNU SAVARA:  
SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:  
SHRI BALYA MAMA SURESH GOPINATH MHATRE:  
SHRI BASTIPATI NAGARAJU:  
SMT. SMITA UDAY WAGH:  
SHRI P P CHAUDHARY:  
SHRI DEVENDRA SINGH ALIAS BHOLE SINGH:  
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:  
DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:  
SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:  
SHRI DHAVAL LAXMANBHAI PATEL:  
SHRI GANESH SINGH:  
SHRI BIPLAB KUMAR DEB:  
SHRI PARSHOTTAMBHAI RUPALA:  
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:  
SHRI P C MOHAN:  
SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA:  
SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:  
SHRI NABA CHARAN MAJHI:  
SMT. KRITI DEVI DEBBARMAN:  
SHRI MUKESH RAJPUT:  
SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

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

(a) whether the Government has introduced PM-PRANAM (Programme for Restoration, Awareness, Generation, Nourishment and Amelioration of Mother Earth) scheme so as to promote alternative fertilizers in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the scheme is aimed at saving soil and promoting sustainable, balanced use of fertilizers and involves the participation of State/UT Governments across the country including Tripura and Maharashtra;

- (c) if so, the details and the present status thereof along with the funds sanctioned/spent there for till date, State-wise especially in the State of Tripura;
- (d) whether the said scheme is likely to help reduce consumption of chemical fertilizers and encourage organic farming along with usage of cow dung by the farmers in the country and if so, the details thereof; and;
- (e) the details of alternative fertilizers prescribed under the scheme?

## ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

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(a): The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved the “PM Programme for Restoration, Awareness Generation, Nourishment, and Amelioration of Mother-Earth (PM-PRANAM)” on 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.

(b): The initiative aims to complement the efforts initiated by States/Uts to save the health of Mother Earth by promoting sustainable and balanced use of fertilizers, adopting alternate fertilizers, promoting organic & natural farming etc. All states/Uts, including Tripura and Maharashtra are covered under the PM- PRANAM.

(c): As per the said scheme, 50% of the fertilizer subsidy saved by a State/UT in a particular financial year by way of reduction in consumption of chemical fertilizers (Urea, DAP, NPK, MOP) compared to previous 3 years’ average consumption, will be passed on to that State/UT as Grant. Further, 95% of the total grant will be used by the State and 5% by Government of India. Out of 95% States’ share, 65% will be utilized towards capex projects preferably as a share of State Governments in Centrally Sponsored Capex related Schemes such as Jal Jeevan Mission, PM Krishi Sinchai Yojna , PM Ayushman Bharat Health Infra etc. The rest untied fund (30%) can be utilized for any activity as per state requirement including Information, Education, and communication (IEC) activities.

(d) & (e): As per the objective of PM-PRANAM Scheme, it is likely to help reduce consumption of chemical fertilizers and encourage organic farming along with usage of cow dung by the farmers in the country.

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