GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2143 ANSWERED ON:05.08.2003 HANDING OVER OF FACT TO IFFCO RUDRAGOUDA PATIL

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

- (a) whether the Union Government have taken anyinitiative to save Fertilizers & Chemicals Travancore Ltd. (FACT) from disinvestment;
- (b) is so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government have any proposal to hand over FACT to IFFCO; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (DR. CHHATTRA PAL SINGH)

- (a) & (b): As per policy of the Government to bring down its equity in the non-strategic PSUs to 26% or lower, it has been decided to disinvest 51% out of the GOI held equity of 97.38% in the Fertilizers And Chemicals Travancore Limited (FACT).
- (c) and (d): The handing over of FACT to IFFCO, who hasbeen allowed to participate in the disinvestment process for fertilizer companies, is dependent on its successful bidding.