

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA**

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SLOW PROGRESS IN FERTILISER INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Planning Commission has observed that in a number of areas under the Ministry the progress is slow ;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof;
- (c) the areas and projects where the progress is very slow or dismal;
- (d) the reaction of the Ministry thereto; and
- (e) the remedial steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) : During the Quarterly Performance Review Meeting held in October, 2003, Planning Commission noted slow progress of plan expenditure in respect of some projects/schemes of the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals in the Ministry.
- (c) : Plan expenditure was at a slow pace in the first two quarters of 2003-04 in respect of Central Institute of Plastics Engineering & Technology (CIPET), Institute of Pesticides Formulation Technology (IPFT), Hindustan Organic Chemicals Limited (HOCL), Hindustan Insecticides Limited (HIL) and Hindustan Antibiotics Limited (HAL).
- (d) & (e) : The Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals is closely monitoring the progress of plan expenditure.