

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

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TECHNOLOGY PARKS IN CHEMICAL SECTOR
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government propose to establish technology parks in the chemical sector;
- (b) If so, the objectives thereof;
- (c) The number of such parks likely to be set up and the funds provided for the purpose, State wise;
- (d) Whether FDI is likely to be permitted for this purpose; and
- (e) If so, the steps proposed to be taken to encourage the Indian units in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI SURESH P. PRABHU)

(a) to (e): While there is no proposal before the Government to establish technology parks in the Chemical Sector, the need to set up mega chemical industrial estates, in collaboration with State Governments, has been identified. No final decision regarding the location has been taken.

It is expected that the establishment of Mega Chemical Industrial Estates would lead to further development of integrated infrastructural facilities for the chemical industry. Domestic as well as foreign companies could invest in such estates.