

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

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IFFCO EXTENSION SERVICES IN ASSAM
Borkataky Shri Narayan Chandra

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

- (a) whether Indian Farmers Fertilizer Corporation Limited (IFFCO) have been providing extension services to farmers in Assam;
- (b) if so, the details of the cooperative societies engaged therein in the State for distribution of IFFCO output through its network;
- (c) whether the IFFCO have plans to involve other agencies to provide better services; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

- (a) Yes, Sir. IFFCO has been organising extension services to farmers in Assam as part of fertilizer promotional programme.
- (b) IFFCO distributes its fertilizers in the State of Assam through 20 member Cooperative Societies at village level apart from State Cooperative Marketing Federation Ltd (STATFED), National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd. (NAFED) & Assam Agro Industries Development Corporation Ltd. (AAIDC).
- (c) & (d) IFFCO does not plan to involve other agencies. However, officials from the Cooperatives, Agricultural University, State Department of Agriculture and Cooperation etc. are associated in these programmes.