GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3343 ANSWERED ON:21.12.2004 PRODUCTION CONSUMPTION OF CHEMICALS Khaire Shri Chandrakant Bhaurao

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

(a) the demand production and consumption of chemicals in the country during the last three years till date;

(b) whether consumption of chemicals is lower in comparison to production;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken to increase the consumption of chemicals?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VTLAS PASWAN)

(a); The production and consumption of the major chemicals excluding petrochemicals and Pharmaceuticals sector1 during the last three years and up to April-September, 2004-05 are given below:

Year	(Figure in M Production	.T.) Consumption
2001-02	5963276	6428845
2002-03	6612626	6902138
2003-04	7061742	7514139
2004-05	3592576	Not available

(April-September)

Includes medium and large-scale units only, excludes SSI and unorganized sector, (b): No, Sir.

(c) and (d): Does not arise.