

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

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

- (a) the allocation of fertilizers made to various States during this year;
- (b) whether some State Government are facing a severe scarcity of fertilizers;
- (c) if so, whether such State Governments have demanded higher allocation of fertilizers and particularly urea; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken to meet the demand of urea and other fertilizers to such States?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE)

(a): Urea is the only fertilizer, movement and distribution of which at present is under partial control of the Government of India (GOI). Availability of urea at state level is ensured by the GOI and all other fertilizers viz. DAP & MOP etc. are decontrolled ones and availability of these fertilizers are decided by the market forces of demand and supply. The state-wise details of demand, availability and sales of fertilizers in 2007 (Kharif season) are given in the statement at Annexure-1.

(b) to (d): No Sir, sufficient availability of fertilizers to sustain sales was ensured by the Department of Fertilizers in each of the months in Kharif and Rabi 2007-08 at the state level.