

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

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RETAIL PRICE OF SSP  
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**Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has given any instructions to the manufacturers of Single Super Phosphate (SSP) fertilizer to keep the retail price below Rs. 230 per bag so that farmers can use it as an alternative to Di Ammonium Phosphate;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; (
- (c) the reaction of the manufacturers of SSP thereto; and
- (d) the manner in which it is likely to be beneficial for the farmers and the industry?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

- (a) & (b) Nutrient Based Subsidy with effect from 1.5.2010 has been announced for Single Super Phosphate (SSP). As per the scheme, it is expected that under Nutrient Based Subsidy, the retail price of SSP will be much below Rs. 230 per bag prevailing currently, so that farmer can use it as an alternative to Di-Ammonium Phosphate (DAP).
- (c) SSP industry is expected to provide SSP at affordable price under Nutrient Based Subsidy Policy as subsidy for SSP under Nutrient Based Subsidy is encouraging.
- (d) The farmers will be able to get SSP at the affordable prices