

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

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

- (a) whether there is severe shortage of fertilizers like Factamphose in Kerala in this season;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to optimize the production capacity of fertilizer plants including Fertilizers and Chemicals Travancore Ltd. (FACT) of Kerala; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Fertilizers and Chemicals Travancore Ltd. (FACT) has supplied 23,318 MT of Factamfos against the movement plan of 24,000 MT in the state of Kerala in June, 2010. As on date, there are no reports of shortage of Factamfos in Kerala. However, the month-wise requirement and availability of NPK (including Factamfos) fertilizers in the state is as follows:-

(Qty. In `000 MT)

Month	Requirement	Availability
April`10	16.25	15.49
May`10	16.75	19.08
June`10	31.25	31.70
July`10 (as on 26.7.2010)	28.25	28.43

As can be seen there is no shortage of NPK fertilizers which includes Factamfos in the state during current season.

(c) & (d): The Government proposes to optimize the production capacity of fertilizer plants including Fertilizers and Chemicals Travancore Ltd. (FACT). The production plan of FACT for the year 2010-11 envisages the production of 8.00 lakh MT of Factamfos and 2.25 lakh MT of Ammonium Sulphate as against the production of 7.53 lakh MT of Factamfos and 1.79 lakh MT of Ammonium Sulphate during the year 2009-10. During the current year after completing the annual turnaround work in April-May 2010, FACT has produced 1.97 lakh MT of Factamfos and 0.4 lakh MT of Ammonium Sulphate up to 24.7.2010.