GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL INPUTS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been a spurt in the prices of agricultural inputs such as fertilisers, pesticides and seeds, etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government has taken any steps to decrease the price of agricultural inputs to make the agriculture sector more profitable;
- (d) if so, the details thereof as on date; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) to (e): No, Madam. There has been no spurt in the prices of agricultural inputs. However, during the year 2010-11 the price of urea has been increased by 10%. There has also been a marginal increase in the prices of P&K fertilizers.