

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

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DECONTROLLING OF PRICES OF UREA
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to put on hold the decontrol prices of Urea;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has also referred this issue to a Committee of Secretaries to work out the modalities;
- (d) if so, whether the said committee has submitted any report in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the action taken by the Government thereon ?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): The Group of Ministers(GoM) under the Chairmanship of Finance Minister, discussed the proposal for formulation of policy for existing urea units beyond Stage-III of New Pricing Scheme (NPS) and other related issues. The Group of Ministers decided to constitute a Committee under chairmanship of Shri Saumitra Chaudhuri, Member Planning Commission and consisting of Secretary, D/o Fertilizers, Secretary D/o Expenditure, Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation and Secretary, M/o Petroleum & Natural Gas to examine the proposal for introduction of NBS in urea, including various options therefor, and make suitable recommendations. The issues are under consideration of the Committee.