

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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PROMOTION OF ORGANIC FERTILIZERS

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is promoting the use and production of organic fertilizers in the country in view of the hazardous chemical fertilizers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard, State-wise including Bihar;
- (c) the total production of organic fertilizers in the country, State-wise; and
- (d) the percentage of organic fertilizers utilised in the country, State-wise vis-a-vis the total fertilizers used?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

- (a) & (b): The Government is promoting the production and use of organic fertilizers and bio-fertilizers under National Project on Organic Farming (NPOF). Details of financial assistance provided under NPOF till March 2011 for setting up of organic production units, State-wise including Bihar are at Annexure-I.
- (c): State-wise details of production of bio-fertilizers are enclosed at Annexure-II.
- (d): It is estimated that percentage of organic manures and bio-fertilizers vis-à-vis total fertilizers (in nutrient terms) is about 15% though State-wise details are not available.