

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

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CONVERSION OF COAL-BASED FERTILIZERS UNIT
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government plans to convert the sick coal based fertilizer units into gas-based units.
- (b) if so, the details and the present status thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the Talcher fertilizer plant is likely to be made operational?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION
AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS(SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a): At present there is no sick PSU fertilizer unit running on coal.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) in its meeting held on 4th August 2011 decided to revive the closed units of Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Limited (HFCL) and Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited (FCIL) including the Talcher Unit of FCIL. Since the process of revival involves clearance by Board for Industrial and Financial Restructuring (BIFR), submission of suitable tied up revival proposals by the nominated PSUs, final approval by CCEA to the revival proposals submitted by the nominated PSUs etc. it is not possible to give a time limit for operationalization of the Talcher fertilizer plant at this stage.