

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

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

- (a) the number of fertilizer producing plants in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the target fixed for production of fertilizers has been achieved by all the fertilizer units in the country;
- (c) if so, the production made by these plants during each of the last three years and the current year, company-wise and State-wise;
- (d) whether the production of these plants are not sufficient to meet the demand of fertilizers in the country and some States which do not have fertilizer plants face most difficulties in getting fertilizers as per their demands ;
- (e) if so, whether there is any provision for inter-State allocation of fertilizers in the country; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

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

(a) The details of number of fertilizer plants producing Urea, DAP and Complex Fertilizers operating in the country in the public, private & Co-operative sector at present, state-wise are at Annexure-I.

(b) & (c) No Madam, Some of the fertilizer units in the country are not producing as per their target fixed due to

(i) non-availability of adequate Natural Gas

(ii) unforeseen shutdowns and iii) shortage of raw materials. However, production of nitrogenous fertilizers for the year 2010-11 is more than the installed capacity. Plant-wise/ State-wise details of production during the last three years and current year are at Annexure-II.

(d) Urea is the only fertilizer which is under partial movement distribution control of the Government of India. All other fertilizers like DAP, MOP and NPK etc. are de-controlled since August 1992.

The demand of major fertilizers namely Urea, DAP, MOP and Complexes in the country is on the rise over the years and has been highest ever during the current year 2010-11. The increasing demand of fertilizers is bridged through imports. As such there is no problem in supplying the fertilizers to those states which do not have any fertilizer plant.

(e) & (f) Question does not arise.