GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:847 ANSWERED ON:09.07.2009 DECLINE IN PRODUCTION OF FERTILIZERS Singh Shri Dushyant

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

- (a) whether there has been a sharp decline in the production of fertilizers during the first quarter of the current financial year;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any target has been fixed to achieve higher production in the next five years;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to achieve the targets?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a) to (e) No Sir.There is no decline in the production of fertilizers during the first quarter of the current year. Details of production of major fertilizers during the first quarter (April-June 09) as compared to corresponding period of previous year are given below:-

(in LMT)

Product April-June09 April-June08
Urea 45.89 45.89

DAP 13.53 8.84

Complex 16.21 13.61

The targets fixed for Urea, DAP & Complexes for the year 2009-10 are 216.32 LMT, 36.62 LMT and 83.05 LMT respectively. Department of Fertilizers is having constant interaction with Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, GAIL & other prospective suppliers of NG/LNG so that gas requirement of the fertilizers industry is met adequately. In case of Phosphatic fertilizer, the prices of inputs/raw material/Intermediates have declined in the international market. The companies are entering into contracts for procuring these inputs. Further, Department of Fertilizer has permitted SPIC-Tuticorin to enter into production and marketing arrangement with MCF-Mangalore.