

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

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SUBSIDY ON FERTILIZERS

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

- (a) the varieties of fertilizers on which subsidy is provided by the Government;
- (b) the requirement of fertilizers in the country, State-wise;
- (c) the amount of subsidy provided on fertilizers during each of the last three years and the current years so far;
- (d) the wholesale and retail prices of these fertilizers in the country during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (e) the price of these fertilizers in the open market and subsidized rate;
- (f) the steps taken to ensure these fertilizers are reached to small farmers; and
- (g) the policy adopted by the Government in monitoring the prices of such fertilizers?

**Answer**

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

(a): Subsidy is provided on 25 grades of P&K (phosphatic and potassic) fertilizers along with Urea. 25 of grades of P&K fertilizers include Di- Ammonium Phosphate (DAP), Muriate of Potash (MOP), Mono Ammonium Phosphate (MAP), Triple Super Phosphate(TSP), Ammonium Sulphate (caprolactum grade produced by M/s FACT and M/s GSFC), Single Super Phosphate (SSP) and 19 grades of NPKS complex fertilizers.

(b): The month-wise requirement of fertilizers during the Kharif Season 2012 state-wise is given in Annexure-I.

(c): The amount of subsidy provided on fertilizers during each of the last three and the provision made during the current year is as under:

Years    Amount (in Rs. crore) of  
          subsidy on all fertilizers

2009-10	64032.29
2010-11	65836.68
2011-12	73790.94
2012-13	(BE) 65592.13

(d) & (e): The quarter-wise MRP of fertilizers during the last three years and the current year (as in April 2012) is given in the Statement at Annexure-II. The wholesale price is lower than MRP by an amount equal to dealers margin. In P&K fertilizers, the dealer's margin is fixed by the companies whereas in case of Urea it is fixed by Government. Presently the dealer margin in Urea is Rs.180 PMT.

For the fertilizers sold for agricultural purpose, the open price and subsidized price are same.

(f): The fertilizers are supplied to all the states as per their requirement. The movement and distribution of fertilizers are monitored through online web based fertilizer monitoring system. The Department is constantly in touch with State Governments on the issue of availability of fertilizers in the State. The subsidized fertilizers are provided to all farmers irrespective of their land holdings.

(g): It is mandatory for the fertilizer companies to enter the prices of P&K fertilizers in fertilizer monitoring system whenever they make dispatches. The Department keep a close watch on the MRPs P&K fertilizers. The MRP of Urea is fixed. Fertilizers are covered under Essential Commodities Act and any sale above MRP is punishable under the Act.