GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:492 ANSWERED ON:10.05.2012 PRICES OF FERTILIZERS Naranbhai Shri Kachhadia

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

- (a) whether the farmers of drought-prone and non-irrigated areas of the country particularly in Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh are vulnerable to rise in price of fertilizers;
- (b) if so, whether the Union Government proposes to take steps to reduce the prices of chemical fertilizers for such groups;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

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 AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a) to (d): The subsidized fertilizers are made available to all farmers irrespective of land holdings and the regions to which they belong. The issue of reducing the prices of chemical fertilizers to the drought prone and non-irrigated areas of Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh is not under consideration of the Government.