## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5610 ANSWERED ON:10.05.2012 SUBSIDY ON FERTILIZERS Singh Shri Ravneet

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that despite having two fertilizer production plants in Punjab, the fertilizers produced in other States Is sold in Punjab thereby putting extra burden of subsidy on the Union Government;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Union Governments thereto;
- (c) whether the Union Government has received any request from the Government of Punjab for selling the fertilizers produced by National Fertilizers Limited (NFL) in Punjab; and
- (d) if so, the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

## **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) to (b): The production and supply of urea from National Fertilizers Ltd. (NFL) plant in Punjab for the year 2011-12 is shown in the table below:-

(Figures in Lakh Metric Tonnes)

Name of units Production Supply to Punjab

NFL-Nangal 5.03 4.22

NFL-Bhatinda 4.83 3.69

The requirement of Urea for Punjab for the year 2011-12 was 26.00 Lakh MT. Therefore, it is essential to supply Urea from other sources to fulfill the entire requirement of Punjab. Department of Fertilizer (DOF) maintains two to three sources of fertilizers for supply to each state, including for Punjab, to ensure un- interrupted and adequate supplies.

(c) & (d) No, Madam. No such request is received in this Department. However, the major portion of production of NFL plants in Punjab is being given to Punjab.