

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

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RATIO OF CONSUMPTION AND AVAILABILITY OF FERTILIZERS

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

- (a) whether the ratio of consumption and availability of fertilizers is different in various States of the country;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the action plan to balance the ratio of consumption and availability of fertilizers?

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 State-wise availability, consumption (sales) and percentage ratio during the year 2011-12 is annexed.

(c): The action plan to balance the ratio of consumption and availability of fertilizers varies from State to State because of varied geographical area, irrigation facilities etc and other agriculture practices. The consumption (sales) of fertilizers depends on good monsoons combined with increased irrigation facilities, increased area under cultivation, better awareness about usage of fertilizers amongst farmers and better purchasing power in the rural areas which resulted in increase in consumption of fertilizers from 2003-04 onwards.