

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has worked out new policy to give farmers cheaper, wider variety of fertilizers by the next Rabi season;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) the implementation status thereof ?

**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 (c): Government of India is providing subsidy on Urea and 25 grades of Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) fertilizers. Urea is provided at statutory MRP of Rs. 5310 per MT.

Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) Policy is being implemented on P&K fertilizers under which a fixed subsidy decided on annual basis is provided on all grades of subsidised P&K fertilizers depending upon its nutrient content. The MRP is fixed by the fertilizer companies. The subsidy rates announced under the policy remains same for a financial year and accordingly it will remain same during Rabi 2012-13. The policy is applicable to all the States/UTs.