

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

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REQUIREMENT OF DAP, MOP AND UREA
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) the projected requirement of DAP, MoP and Urea during the year 2012-13;
- (b) the percentage of requirement of these fertilizers planned to be imported from abroad;
- (c) whether the Government has any roadmap to lessen the import burden of DAP and MoP by buying captive mines of Phosphatic and Potassic minerals; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (b): The Central Government assesses the State-wise and month-wise demand of fertilizers before each cropping season in Zonal conferences on Agricultural Inputs in which representatives of State Governments and fertilizer industry participate. The projected estimated requirement, imports & percentage of requirement of DAP, MOP and Urea during the year 2012-13 is as under:

Product #Requirement Imports(in terms of Percentage requirement
finished fertilizers) of Imports

DAP	132.47	91.00	68
MOP	50.53	50.00	100
Urea	320.19	90.00	28

On the basis of estimated projection of last year Rabi requirements.

(c) to (d): The country being dependent on imports to meet the requirements of Phosphatic and Potassic fertilizers including its raw material, the Government is encouraging acquisition of fertilizer assets/resources by Indian PSUs/Companies and setting up of joint venture fertilizer projects abroad in the resource rich countries. The Government will also encourage long-term off-take agreements for supply of fertilizers/fertilizer inputs at some preferential prices from such countries.