

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has removed control on minimum retail price of Single Super Phosphate (SSP); and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) Policy is being implemented on Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) fertilizers including Single Super Phosphate (SSP). Under the policy, a fixed amount of subsidy decided on annual basis is provided on all subsidised P&K fertilizers depending on its nutrient content. The Maximum Retail Prices (MRP) are fixed by the fertilizer companies.

The Government has never fixed any minimum retail price on any grade of fertilizers.