

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4241
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ALLOCATION OF FERTILIZERS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government had requested the States to forward their demands about fertilizers before the Kharif season of 2011-12;
- (b) if so, the quantity of fertilizers allotted to the States on the basis of such demands, State-wise;
- (c) whether the monthly allotment had been made as per the demands during the last one year;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Union Government proposes to ensure supply of fertilizers to the States as per their demands in future;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) if not, the reasons therefor?

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): Yes, Madam. 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 state-wise demand (requirement) of major fertilizers like Urea, DAP, MOP & NPK fertilizers for Kharif 2011 season 2011-12 (April'11 to September'11) are at Annexure-A.

(c) to (d): The state-wise demand (requirement) and allotment (availability) of major fertilizers like Urea, DAP, MOP & NPK fertilizers during the year 2011-12 are at Annexure-B.

(e) to (g): The state-wise requirement and availability of major fertilizers like Urea, DAP, MOP & NPK fertilizers during the current year 2012-13 (April'12 to August'12) are at Annexure-C. There were some instances of local shortage of urea in Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Bihar, Orissa etc. because of lower off-take in the beginning of the season due to less rainfall. However, the supplies of urea and other fertilizers have been speeded up now with the better rainfall with effect from 2nd week of August, 2012. The availability of Phosphatic fertilizers (DAP & NPK) together with pre-positioning stock is also adequate.