

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

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DEALERS/RETAILERS OF FERTILIZERS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of dealers/retailers of fertilizers in the country particularly Uttar Pradesh as on date;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of dealers/retailers in the country particularly in Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a): Total number of active wholesalers/retailers nationwide

i. Wholesalers : 21,217 out of 32,300 in the country. ii. Retailers : 1,65,420 out of 2,79,777 in the country.

Total number of active wholesalers/retailers in Uttar Pradesh

i. Wholesalers : 1,883 out of 2263 in Uttar Pradesh ii. Retailers : 26,577 out of 53800 in Uttar Pradesh

(b) & (c): The fertilizers companies (both manufacturers and importers) are supposed to appoint the dealers/retailers in the different states of the country, including Uttar Pradesh, depending upon the quantity of fertilizers being sold and network of the respective companies. The Government has no role in this regard. The State Government is responsible for the registration of these dealers/retailers for selling fertilizers meant for agricultural use. However, all dealer/retailers are expected to be registered in the mobile FMS (m-FMS) and are expected to give update on receipt of fertilizers and daily stock position.

(d) : In view of (b) & (c), does not arise.