GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2295 ANSWERED ON:06.12.2012 INCREASE IN PRODUCTION OF FERTILIZERS Pakkirappa Shri S.

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

- (a) whether the Government has initiated any steps to increase the production of fertilizers during the last three years and the current year, year-wise; and
- (b) if so, the details of annual production growth in different fertilizers during the said period?

Answer

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): The Government had announced on 4th September 2008, a new investment policy for urea sector to attract the much required investment in this sector. The policy was based on IPP benchmark and had been finalized in consultation with the industry. The New Investment Policy aimed at revamp, expansion, revival of existing urea units and setting up of Greenfield/ Brownfield projects. The units have expressed concern regarding pricing and firm availability of gas before taking final investment decision as there is no redressal mechanism in the present policy to address the issue of additional liability arising due to increase in delivered price of gas. The New Investment Policy of 2008 fructified few revamp projects only as given in Annexure. Most of the existing units have either completed their revamp or are currently implementing revamp projects units contributing around 2.0 million tonnes increase in existing urea capacity. The New Investment Policy 2012 for urea sector is under consideration of Government of India to address the concerns of the industry.
- (b): The details of annual production growth of fertilizers during the last three years is given below:-

(LMT)
2009-10 2010-11 2011-12 Apr-Oct.12

UREA 211.12 218.80 219.84 128.33

DAP 42.46 35.36 39.62 19.96

Complex 80.38 87.27 77.70 39.42
Fertilizers