

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

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NUTRIENT BASED SUBSIDY SCHEME  
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**Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total fund allocated for the implementation of Nutrient Based Subsidy Scheme;
- (b) The guidelines provided to the farmers about this new scheme; and
- (c) The amount, the Government expects to save from implementation of the said scheme?

**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 SRI KANT KUMAR JENA)

- (a): A provision of Rs 28576.12 crores has been made in the BE-2012-13 for payment of subsidy under Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) Policy which is applicable to Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) fertilizers.
- (b): No guidelines have been issued to farmers under NBS Policy. However, the farmers are supposed to pay not more than the printed Maximum Retail Price on each bag of fertilizer.
- (c): The expenditure under the head `subsidy on P&K fertilizers` for the last five years is as under:

Subsidy (In Rs. Crore)

Year    Indigenous    Imported

P&K    P&K.    Total

2007-08    10333.8    6600    16933.8

2008-09    32957.1    32597.69    65554.79

2009-10    16000    23452.06    39452.06

2010-11    20650    20850    41500

2011-12    19943    16164.94    36107.94

NBS Policy is being implemented from 2010-11 onwards. It can be seen that the subsidy under NBS Policy has been contained.