

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

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RENOVATION OF FERTILIZER FACTORIES
Dias Dr. Charles

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

- (a) whether the Government has a policy to renovate the fertilizers factories in the country to adopt modern technology and increase production;
- (b) if so, whether there is any proposal to renovate the plants at the Fertilizers and Chemicals Travancore Ltd.(FACT) in Kerala;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the present quantity of production of various fertilizers at FACT, Kerala?

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): Yes, Madam. The Government has announced on 4th September 2008, a new investment policy for urea sector to attract the much required investment in this sector. The policy is based on IPP benchmark and has been finalized in consultation with the industry. The New Investment Policy aims 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 to undertake expansion of their existing units. The Government is therefore formulating New Investment Policy 2012. A draft CCEA Note on New Investment Policy 2012 prepared in consultation with Ministries/ Departments is under consideration of Department of Fertilizers.

(b)& (c): The Fertilizers and Chemicals Travancore Ltd.(FACT) has drawn up a plan for implementation of the following projects :-

Sl.No	Project	Capacity (Tons per day)	Cost (Rs. Crore)
1	NP Expansion	1000	230
2	Urea Plant	1500	930
3	Ammonia-Urea Complex	2800-3500	4600
4	Sulphuric Acid	2000	425

Since FACT is facing acute shortage of funds, FACT has invited expression of Interest for JV Participation for implementation of these projects. The response are being evaluated.

(d) Actual production of fertilizers at FACT during the year 2011-12 is given below:-

Sl.No	Product	Production in Tonnes
1	FACTAMFOS 22:20	622256

2 AMMONIUM SULPHATE 163468