

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

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SETTING UP OF NEW FERTILIZER PRODUCING PLANTS

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

- (a) the details of the places where the chemical fertilizer producing plants are situated, State-wise;
- (b) whether new fertilizer producing plants have been set up in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (d) if not, the reasons for not setting up of new plants;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to set up new units/plants in the country, particularly in Maharashtra for increasing the production of chemical fertilizers to meet the growing demand during the Twelfth Five Year Plan;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and (g) the funds likely to be invested for the said purpose?

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) : State-wise list of chemicals fertilizer producing plants is annexed.

(b) & (c): M/s Matix Fertilizers & Chemicals Limited, a private company is setting up a new Greenfield Gas (including Coal Bed Methane Gas) based Ammonia-Urea project in Burdwan District, West Bengal with a capacity of 1.27 million metric tonne per annum.

(d) : 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 readdressal 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 2012 for urea sector is under consideration of Government of India to address the concerns of the industry.

(e): No, Madam.

(f) & (g): In view of (e) above question does not arise