

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

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REFORMS IN FERTILIZER INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the fertilizer industry expects reforms; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

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

(b) : Formulation of policy for existing urea units beyond Stage-III of New Pricing Scheme and New Investment Policy 2012 are under consideration of Government of India to reform fertilizer industry. Already, the Department of Fertilizers has implemented Nutrient Based Subsidy policy for P&K fertilizers w.e.f. 1st April 2010, wherein a fix subsidy per unit of each nutrient is decided annually and the MRP of fertilizer is decided by manufacturers/importers depending on market forces.