

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4918

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SALE OF DECONTROLLED PHOSPHATE AND POTASH FERTILIZERS

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

(a) Whether the Government has extended the relief plan on the sale of decontrolled phosphate and potash fertilizers; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The decontrolled Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) fertilizers are provided on subsidised prices to farmers under Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) Policy. Under the policy a fixed amount of subsidy decided on annual basis, is provided on each grade of subsidized P & K fertilizer depending upon its nutrient content. At present 22 grades of P&K fertilizers are covered under the NBS Scheme.