

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

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

- (a) Whether the Government has made any assessment with regard to increase in the production of major chemicals and petrochemicals;
- (b) If so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year chemical-wise;
- (c) Whether the production of these chemicals has been lesser than the target during the said period;
- (d) If so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (e) Whether there is any plan to increase the production of these chemicals during the 12th Five Year Plan; and
- (f) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (f) The production of Major chemicals and Petrochemicals during the last three years is as under:

(Figures in thousand MT)

Major Group	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
Alkali Chemicals	5981	6113	6081
Inorganic Chemicals	572	574	533
Organic Chemicals	1412	1464	1484
Pesticides (Technical)	124	134	133
Dyes & Dyestuffs	169	175	171
Total Major Chemicals	8258	8460	8402
Synthetic Fibre	3083	3042	3040
Polymers	5292	6211	6389
Elastomers (Synthetic Rubber)	95	88	86
Synthetic Detergent Intermediates	638	623	627
Performance Plastics	196	188	193
Total Major Petrochemicals	9304	10152	10335
Total Major Chemicals and Petrochemicals	17562	18611	18737

The Chemical and Petrochemical sector is delicensed and as such, no targets with regard to production of this sector has been fixed. The investments by the entrepreneurs is driven by the market forces, based on techno economic considerations, cost benefits analysis etc. Overall, there has been gradual increase in total production of chemical and petrochemical sector from 2010-11 to 2012-13.

In the Chemical and Petrochemical Sector, the Government primarily acts as a facilitator for the growth and development of the sector and has taken various measures such as implementation of the PCPIR Policy, setting up of Plastic Parks and encouraging petrochemical research and technology in the country for increasing the production in the 12th Five Year Plan.