

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

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DEVELOPMENT OF FERTILIZER SECTOR
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has reviewed its policy regarding development of domestic technology in the fertilizer sector; and
- (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (b): There are few Process Licensors for fertilizer manufacturing process in the world and they have this technology patented. However, there is large scale of technology absorption by Indian manufacturers. Only licensing and basic engineering is imported for Ammonia Urea plant which amounts to about 10% of the project cost. For rest of the project components including detailed engineering, the Indian capability is well developed. Domestic industry innovates and improves upon technology based on economic viability. It has been Government's endeavour to provide favourable and conducive policy environment to promote development of domestic technology in the fertilizer sector.