

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

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DEMAND OF DAP UREA FERTILIZER

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

- (a) whether there is a huge demand of DAP and urea in the country including, Karnataka;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the allocation made during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether there is an acute shortage of DAP and urea as required by the farmers of the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (e) the reasons for delay in providing/allocation of imported urea and DAP to States including Karnataka State/UT-wise and
- (f) the concrete steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to supply the said fertilizers in time and as per the demand, State/UT-wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (f) : The demand (as projected by DAC), availability, sales of DAP and Urea in the country including Karnataka for last three years and current year is at Annexure 'A'.

As can be seen for the current year Kharif Season 2013, the availability is in excess of the actual sales, therefore, there is no shortage of DAP and Urea in the country including Karnataka. Demand of fertilizers is being met fully under the existing policies Department of Fertilizer is also taking following steps to meet the demand of all fertilizers for all the States and Union Territories including the State of Karnataka:-

The month-wise demand of each state is assessed and projected by the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation (DAC) in consultation with the State Governments before commencement of each cropping season.

On the basis of this, the Department of Fertilizers allocates the required quantities of fertilizers to the States both out of indigenous production as well as through imports to ensure that there is no shortfall, which is continuously monitored through web based monitoring system i.e. Fertilizer Monitoring System(FMS);

The State Governments also regularly coordinate with manufacturers and importers of fertilizers for streamlining the supplies through timely placement of indents for railway rakes through their state institutional agencies like MARKFED etc.

Regular Weekly Video Conference is conducted jointly by Department of Agriculture & Cooperation (DAC), Department of Fertilizers (DOF), and Ministry of Railways with State Agriculture Officials and corrective actions are taken to dispatch fertilizers as indicated by the State Governments.