

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

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IMPACT OF ONLINE FMS

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

- (a) the reasons for shortage of fertilizers in the country after the implementation of online Fertilizer Monitoring System (FMS) and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (b) the manner in which shortage of fertilizes is ascertained under the online FMS;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to open online advice to farmers on the use of fertilizers; and
- (d) If so, the details thereof and the time by which the proposal is likely to be implemented?

**Answer**

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

(a) : The details of requirement, availability and sales of Urea, DAP, MOP and NPK during the year 2012-13 and current year upto November, 2013 in all States and UTs is annexed.

As can be seen from the above statement that there is adequate availability of all the fertilizers during the current year as well as in previous year throughout the country. Department has not received any complaint from any State/ UT and no State/UT has raised any issue on the availability during weekly video conferences jointly conducted by Department of Agriculture and Cooperation and Department of Fertilizers.

It is pertinent to mention here that after implementation of online Fertilizers Monitoring System (FMS) the monitoring of availability of fertilizers has become better. .

(b): Under the Online FMS, the following steps are being taken to ascertain the availability viz-a-viz any shortage of fertilizers (Urea, DAP, MOP & NPK):-

(1) The month-wise demand as assessed and projected by the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation (DAC) in consultation with the State Governments before commencement of each cropping season is displayed on FMS for information of the States and public at large.

(2) On the basis of month-wise & state-wise projection given by Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Department of Fertilizers allocates sufficient /adequate quantities of fertilizers to States by issuing monthly supply plan which is uploaded in FMS for information of the States and public at large.

(3) The movement of all major subsidized fertilizers is being monitored throughout the country by an on-line web based monitoring system ([www.urvarak.co.in](http://www.urvarak.co.in)) also called as Fertilizer Monitoring System (FMS).

Apart from these, Department of Fertilizers is also taking the following steps to ascertain the availability of above fertilizers:-

(i) The State Governments are regularly advised to 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.

(ii). 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 fertilizer as indicated by the State governments.

(iii). The gap in the demand and domestic production of fertilizer is met through imports.

(c) & (d): There is no proposal of the Department of Fertilizers to open on line advice system for farmers regarding use of fertilizers.