

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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MOBILE FERTILIZER MONITORING SYSTEM

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

- (a) whether the mobile Fertilizer Monitoring System has been implemented for all subsidized and non subsidized fertilizers in the country;
- (b) If so, the details thereof including the salient features of the said scheme;
- (c) the details of funds released and expenditure incurred thereunder;
- (d) whether the Unique Identification project has been integrated with the said scheme; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) : The mobile Fertilizer Monitoring System (mFMS) has been implemented only for all subsidized fertilizers in the country;
- (b) : The subsidized fertilizers namely Urea and 22 grades of Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) fertilizers, namely; DAP, MAP, TSP, MOP, Ammonium Sulphate, SSP and 16 grades of NPKS complex fertilizers are covered under the mFMS.

The mFMS, which is implemented in a phased manner, intends to bring information visibility in the fertilizer supply chain and to enhance transparency in the fertilizer subsidy mechanism. This entails capturing sales made by fertilizers companies to whole seller and retailer, capturing sales and also receipts acknowledgements at whole seller and retailer level. In 2nd phase, it plans to capture the buyer's details at the last point of sale (i.e. retailers). The software developed by NIC, to implement the scheme, is assessable through Mobile and Web interface. A part of subsidy payment has been linked to the retailers' acknowledgement.
- (c) : The details of funds released to NISCI for the mFMS and expenditure incurred therein are given at Annexure.
- (d) : No Madam. As of now, the mFMS is not integrated with the Unique Identification Project
- (e) : It has not been linked to Unique Identification project because there are problems in targeting, determining entitlements and preparing beneficiary databases. As a result, National Committee on Direct Benefit of Transfer (DBT) has as of now decided not to implement Direct Transfer of Subsidy in fertilizers.