## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3609 ANSWERED ON:11.08.2015 Prices of Urea Nishad Shri Ajay

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

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- (a) whether the prices of imported urea has increased by more than 30 per cent during the last one year;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the comparative analysis of the prices of the imported urea in comparison to the cost of domestic urea; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to regulate prices of urea?

## **Answer**

MINISTER OF STATES IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

- (a): No, Madam. The weighted average price of urea imported on Government account through State Trading Enterprises (STEs) was US\$ 303.94 PMT CFR in the year 2014-15 as against US\$ 289.77 PMT CFR during 2015-16 (upto June, 2015).
- (b): In view the above, the question does not arise.
- (c): The weighted average price of imported urea during 2014-15 is Rs.18,981/- per tonne CFR (at an average exchange rate of Rs.62.45 per US\$) and the weighted average provisional price of urea produced in the country is Rs.21,817 PMT for the year 2014-15.
- (d): The Maximum Retail Price (MRP) of urea is under statutory control and sold to the farmers at a notified MRP plus local tax throughout the country.

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