GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3401 ANSWERED ON:17.03.2015 PRODUCTION OF DAP AND CONVENTIONAL MANURE Rajput Shri Mukesh

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

(a) whether the production of DAP is negligible despite being an agriculture based country;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposed to increase the production of DAP and other conventional manure in view of the multidimensional importance of the carbonic manure;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposed to produce manure and energy from the urban waste under ambitious scheme namely Swachh Bharat Abhiyan; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the time by which concrete steps/actions are likely to be taken in this regard.

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a)to (c): The country is fully dependent on imports in Potassic sector and to the extent of 90% in Phosphatic sector in the form of either finished products or its raw material. Despite having very limited reserves of rock phosphate in the country, the indigenous production of DAP is increasing for the last four years as per details below;

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Production of 3AP (Lakh MT)
Year Production Import Total % of prod. % of prod, over import
2010-11 35.37 74.09 109.46 32.31 48
2011-12 39.63 68.97 108.6 36.49 57
2012-13 36.47 56.41 92.88 39.27 65
2013-14 36.11 32.61 68.72 52.55 111
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(d)& (e):Yes, Madam. This is in primary stage and a draft discussion paper on `Promotion of City Compost` has been circulated for inter-ministeria! consultation. However, the Government has undertaken a number of steps for promotion of use of bio-fertilizers in the country. They are as under:

(1) Financial support for establishment of bio-fertilizers production unit as back ended subsidy @ 25% of total financial outlay up to a maximum of Rs. 40.00 lakh through NABARD is provided. Financial assistant of 50% of cost of Rs. 100/- per hectare, whichever is less, is provided to farmers for promotion of bio-fertilizers under Integrated Scheme for Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize (ISOPOM).

(2) To encourage the producers of organic fertilizers, Government is providing financial assistance for setting up of production units of organic fertilizers under following schemes:-

(i) Under National Project on Organic Farming (NPOF) financial assistance is provided as credit linked back ended subsidy through NABARD for setting up of fruit/vegetable waste/agro- waste compost unit @33% of the total cost of project upto Rs. 60.00 lakh per unit.

(ii) Under National Horticulture Mission (NHM) financial assistance is provided for setting up vermi-compost production units @50% of the cost subject to a maximum of Rs. 30,000/- per beneficiary.