

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:361

ANSWERED ON:01.12.2015

Use of Natural Fertilizers

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

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to reduce the use of urea in view of its adverse effects;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to provide subsidy to such farmers who use manure along with urea;
- (c) whether the Government has prepared a draft for making it mandatory and if so, the time by which it is likely to implement this policy report along with the salient points of its regarding adverse impact of urea use;
- (d) the total availability of manure in the country and steps taken by the Government to improve it;
- (e) whether manure is cheaper than chemical fertilizers and the steps taken by the Government for its propagation; and
- (f) the likely savings of Government by using manure?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

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(a): There is no such proposal.

(b): There is no such proposal.

(c): In view of (b) above, question does not arise.

(d): Details of organic manure production & availability in the country (excluding green manures) is annexed. To improve the availability of manures in the country following steps are being initiated:

(i) To improve the availability of manures in the country, 100% assistance to State Government/Government agencies upto a maximum limit of Rs.190.00 lakh/unit and 33% of cost limited to Rs. 63 lakh/unit for individuals/private agencies through NABARD as capital investment for 3000 TPA production capacity.

(ii) For promotion of organic inputs on farmers' field (manure, vermin-compost, bio-fertilizers liquid/solid, waste compost, herbal extracts etc.) there is provision of financial assistance under Soil Health management component of National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) @ 50% of cost subject to a limit of Rs 5000/- per ha and Rs.10,000 per beneficiary.

(iii) There is a provision of financial assistance under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) for setting up of vermin-compost units/organic input production unit (size -30ft x 8ft x 2.5ft) @ Rs. 1 lakh per unit for permanent structure and Rs.16,000/- per unit for HDPE vermibed.

(e)& (f): No such cost comparison of Chemicals Fertilizers and manure has been done by Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.

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