

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:261
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Availability of DAP/NPK Fertilizers
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- (a) whether DAP and NPK fertilizers are available in sufficient quantity;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) if not, the corrective steps being taken by the Government; and
- (d) the measures being adopted by Government to prevent black marketing of the said fertilizers?

Answer

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. DAP and NPK fertilizers are available in sufficient quantity. The state-wise detail of availability and sales of DAP & NPK during the year 2016-17 and Kharif 2017 is placed at

Annexure 'A'.

(c): Question doesn't arise in view of (b) above.

(d): Government has declared fertilizer as an essential commodity under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 and notified Fertilizer Control Order, 1985 and Fertilizer (Movement Control) Order, 1973. State Governments under the extant provisions of Fertilizer Control Order (FCO), 1985 have been adequately empowered to take preventive/ punitive actions against the offenders who indulge in black-marketing of fertilizers. Department of Fertilizers has also advised/ sensitized the State Governments for gearing up enforcement agencies under their jurisdiction for taking appropriate action against the offenders, if any.