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Title: Need to provide adequate quantity of fertilizers to farmers in Zahirabad and Medak regions of Andhra Pradesh-laid.

SHRI SURESH KUMAR SHETKAR (ZAHEERABAD): I would like to draw the kind attention of the august House regarding the problems being faced by the farmers in getting fertilizers in time and at an affordable price in Telangana areas like Zahirabad and Medak in Andhra Pradesh and also all over the country.

Many farmers are facing lot of problems in getting the fertilizers for various crops in the Kharif and Rabi seasons at the minimum rates fixed by the Government. Sometimes, there is no stock or the farmers have to stand in queue for many hours due to lack of adequate fertilizers or they have to spend more amount to get the fertilizer from other sources. Some people and companies are creating artificial shortage of fertilizers in the market. Many farmers have been duped in recent years due to lack of awareness in the supply of fertilizers. There is no proper system to monitor the sale of fertilizers in the market at MRP rates particularly in the remote areas like Zahirabd, Medak and other Telangana regions of Andhra Pradesh. This is really an issue that concerns the interests of the farmers and the overall development of our country.

I, therefore, request the concerned Hon'ble Minister to intervene in the matter and ensure that farmers get fertilizers in time and at MRP rates in all seasons by strictly monitoring the market so that the interests of the farmers could be protected and they get the genuine returns for their hard work in improving our economy and growth.