

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILISERS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3524 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.12.2019

**Neem Coated Urea**

**3524. SHRI GAUTAM GAMBHIR:**

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

- (a) the percentage of neem coated urea and pesticides being produced in Government owned facilities; and
- (b) whether it is a fact that the Government is facing shortage of neem oil used as input and if so, the details thereof ?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS

( **D.V. SADANANDA GOWDA** )

(a): Department of Fertilizers on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2015, made it mandatory for all the indigenous producers of urea to produce 100% of their total production of subsidized urea as neem coated urea. Entire quantity of indigenously produced urea and imported urea is being neem coated w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2015 and w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2015 respectively. The percentage of neem coated urea being produced in Government owned facilities ( CPSE) with respect to the total indigenous production of Neem Coated Urea in the country during the years 2017-18 onwards are as under:

Year	Urea ( Fig. In 'LMT' )		% age of Public Sector
	Total Indigenous Production	By Public Sector	
2017-18	240.23	69.88	29.09 %
2018-19	240.00	70.16	29.23 %
2019-20 ( up to Nov. 19 )	159.57	42.09	26.38 %

HIL ( India) Ltd. Is the only CPSE under administrative control of the Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals that produces pesticides. The production of 43 major pesticides and insecticides (Technical) in the country in 2018-19 was. 2,17,607 MT, out of which HIL's production was 3350.05 MT i.e. 1.54% of the total production.

(b): No shortage of Neem oil used as input for the production of Neem Coated Urea, has been reported upon.

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