

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**QUESTION NO 27.11.2009**  
**ANSWERED ON**  
**IMPORT OF FERTILIZERS .**

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SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI

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

- (a) the total production of fertilizers in the country;
- (b) the quantity of fertilizers that we import from abroad; and
- (c) the measures being taken to reduce the quantity of imported fertilizers ;

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS

(SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

a) The total production of major fertilizers namely urea, DAP & complexes in the country during the year 2008-09 and 2009-10 (April 2009 - October 2009) is given below-

( Lakh MT )

Product	2008-09	2009-10 (April. - October 2009)
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Urea	199.22	120.28
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DAP	29.93	29.08
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Complexes	68.48	44.17
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b) The quantity of fertilizers imported from abroad during the year 2008-09 and 2009-10 ( April 2009 - October 2009 ) is given below-

( Lakh MT )

Product	2008-09	2009-10 ( April. - October 2009 )
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Urea	56.67	32.76
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DAP 66.29 45.09

MOP 56.33 27.08

c) The Government has announced a New Investment Policy for urea sector on 4th September 2008. The policy is expected to attract investments in urea sector subject to availability of gas. The policy is also aims at creation of additional production capacity through revamp, expansion and revival of existing urea units in the country and new Green fields projects in the country.

The Government has also announced on 6th March 2009, policy for conversion of FO/LSHS urea units to Natural Gas, restart of existing urea units and resumption of urea production by RCF-Trombay to increase indigenous production.

The indigenous production of phosphatic fertilizers is largely dependent on imported raw material and intermediates, the Government has been encouraging fertilizer industry to actively pursue joint ventures abroad in order to secure future supplies of fertilizer inputs and finished fertilizers.