

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

RAJYA SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. 56* TO BE ANSWERED ON: 07.02.2023

New fertilizer plants in the country

***56. SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV:**

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

- (a) the number and details of fertilizer plants opened in the country during the last three years, if not opened, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the operational fertilizer plants are working to their capacity;
- (c) whether Government has any plan to increase the level of production of fertilizers, to meet the demand of the farmers of the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE AND CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS

(DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 56* TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2023 REGARDING “NEW FERTILIZER PLANTS IN THE COUNTRY”

(a): The details of the urea fertilizer plants opened in the country during the last three years are as under: -

SI No.	Name of the Plant	Location	State	Urea Prod Capacity (in LMTPA)
1	Matix Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd	Panagarh	West Bengal	12.7
2	Ramagundam Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd (RFCL)	Ramagundam	Telangana	12.7
3	Hindustan Urvarak & Rasayan Ltd (HURL)	Gorakhpur	Uttar Pradesh	12.7
4	Hindustan Urvarak & Rasayan Ltd (HURL)	Sindri	Jharkhand	12.7
5	Hindustan Urvarak & Rasayan Ltd (HURL)	Barauni	Bihar	12.7

The details of the DAP/NPK fertilizer plants opened in the country during the last three years are as under: -

SI No.	Name of the Plant	Location	State	DAP/NPK fertilizer Prod Capacity (in LMTPA)
1	M/s Madhya Bharat Agro product Limited unit-II,	Banda Sagar	Madhya Pradesh	2.40
2	M/s Krishna Phoschem Ltd,	Meghnagar	Madhya Pradesh	3.30

(b): Yes Sir, these fertilizer plants are operating at their installed capacity except Barauni and Sindri plants, which are under stabilization, and attained 70-80% of their installed capacity.

(c) & (d): The Government had announced New Investment Policy (NIP) – 2012 on 2nd January, 2013 and its amendment on 7th October, 2014 to facilitate fresh investment in the urea sector and to make India self-sufficient in the urea sector. Total 6 new urea units have been set up under NIP – 2012. These are Panagarh urea unit of Matix Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd. (Matix); Gadepan-III urea unit of Chambal Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd. (CFCL); Ramagundam urea unit of Ramagundam Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd.(RFCL); and 3 urea units namely Gorakhpur, Sindri and Barauni of Hindustan Urvarak & Rasayan Limited (HURL). Each of these units have the installed urea production capacity of 12.7 Lakh Metric Tonne per annum. Therefore, these units have together added 76.2 LMT per annum in the existing indigenous urea production capacity of the country. Further, an exclusive policy has been notified on 28th April 2021 for the revival of Talcher unit of FCIL for setting up a new greenfield urea plant of 12.7 LMT per annum on coal gasification route.

The Government has notified the New Urea Policy (NUP) – 2015 on 25th May, 2015 with one of the objectives of maximizing indigenous urea production. The NUP-2015 has led to additional production of urea of over 20LMTPA as compared to the production during 2014-15.

Production of 17 crore bottles of nano urea has also begun in 3 plants set up by Indian Farmers Fertilizer Cooperative (IFFCO) at Kalol (Gujarat), Phulpur (Uttar Pradesh) and Aonla (Uttar Pradesh)

Further, Potash derived from Molasses (PDM), which is 100% indigenously manufactured fertilizer, has been notified by Department of Fertilizers under nutrient based subsidy (NBS) regime.

Department of Fertilizers has granted administrative approval on 15.11.2021 for setting up a NPK plant at Thal, Maharashtra by Rashtriya Chemicals and Fertilizers Ltd from its own resources.
