

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 498 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 07.02.2023**

**Fertilizers provided to the farmers of West Bengal**

**498: SMT. SHANTA CHHETRI:**

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

- (a) whether Government is providing fertilizers to all the farmers of West Bengal in adequate quantity at affordable rates; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, along with the district-wise details of the quantum of fertilizers distributed annually in the State?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

**(SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA)**

(a) : The availability of fertilizers has remained comfortable in West Bengal during Rabi 2022-23 season as following:

<b>WEST BENGAL</b>				
<b>Fertilizers Position for Rabi 2022-23</b>				
<b>( Fig. in LMT)</b>				
<b>Product Group</b>	<b>Rabi 2022-23 requirement</b>	<b>Pro-rata Requirement From 01.10.2022 to 02.02.2023</b>	<b>Availability 01.10.2022 to 02.02.2023</b>	<b>DBT Sales from 01.10.2022 to 02.02.2023</b>
Urea	8.00	5.70	8.41	5.32
DAP	2.19	1.66	2.32	1.70
MOP	2.00	1.50	1.75	1.28
NPKS	6.19	5.00	6.05	4.48

Source :- iFMS Dashboard

It can be observed from the table above that the department of fertilizers has ensured comfortable availability of fertilizers in the state.

Urea is provided to the farmers at a statutorily notified Maximum Retail Price (MRP). The MRP of 45 kg bag of urea is Rs.242 per bag (exclusive of charges towards neem coating and taxes as applicable). The difference between the delivered cost of urea at farm gate and net market realization by the urea units is given as subsidy to the urea manufacturer/importer by the Government of India. Accordingly, all farmers are being supplied urea at the subsidized rates. Besides, GoI has analyzed the situation and notified the subsidy rates under the Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) scheme in such a way that the international price rise does not affect the farming community of India thereby ensuring the availability of fertilizers to the Indian farmers at affordable rates. The subsidy rates under NBS scheme during FY 2021-22 and FY 2022-23 are as under:

S. No.	Nutrient	NBS (Rs. Per Kg of Nutrient) (from 01.04.2021 to 19.05.2021)	NBS (Rs. Per Kg of Nutrient) (from 20.05.2021 to 31.03.2022)	NBS (Rs. Per Kg of Nutrient) (from 1.04.2022 to 30.9.2022)	NBS (Rs. Per Kg of Nutrient) (from 1.10.2022 to 31.3.2023)
1.	<b>N</b>	18.789	18.789	91.96	98.02
2.	<b>P</b>	14.888	45.323	72.74	66.93
3.	<b>K</b>	10.116	10.116	25.31	23.65
4.	<b>S</b>	2.374	2.374	6.94	6.12

Further, the details of the quantum of fertilizers distributed district-wise annually in the State of West Bengal is attached at **Annexure-I**.

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<b>WEST BENGAL DISTRICT WISE PRODUCT WISE FERTILIZERS SUPPLY APRIL'21 TO MARCH'22</b>							
<b>( All Figs are in MT)</b>							
<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>DAP</b>	<b>MOP</b>	<b>NPK</b>	<b>SSP</b>	<b>UREA</b>	<b>Grand Total</b>
1	24 Paraganas North	4013	5146	63150	21713	69908	163930
2	24 Paraganas South	3646	2287	29745	18421	39320	93419
3	Alipurduar	2573	1633	4997	7121	16422	32746
4	Bankura	18181	3966	52003	12638	57870	144659
5	Bardhaman	31105	12257	107597	9744	109672	270375
6	Birbhum	18243	2483	63277	5178	84383	173564
7	Coochbehar	4692	4356	21893	40803	47713	119458
8	Dinajpur Dakshin	8390	5464	22321	27201	66883	130260
9	Dinajpur Uttar	28549	14175	43733	46592	140856	273905
10	Hooghly	26877	14084	114397	7651	84047	247055
11	Howrah	5165	600	11466	3099	9156	29485
12	Jalpaiguri	10324	20249	39276	35087	105557	210494
13	Jhargram	210	1027	6515	1512	8901	18164
14	Maldah	15990	6778	35375	41658	101210	201012
15	Medinipur East	7832	5389	43539	14725	35019	106504
16	Medinipur West	23848	16732	121518	37566	71730	271394
17	Murshidabad	17148	3789	90963	35946	109265	257111
18	Nadia	10849	5152	82759	41628	93074	233463
19	Paschim Bardhaman	770	67	2075	127	1748	4787
20	Purulia	2325	241	6326	672	7128	16692
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>240731</b>	<b>125875</b>	<b>962926</b>	<b>409083</b>	<b>1259861</b>	<b>2998475</b>

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