

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

**RAJYA SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1612 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 06.08.2024**

EXCESSIVE USE OF FERTILIZERS

1612: SHRI ASHOKRAO SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:  
SMT. DARSHANA SINGH:

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

- (a) whether Punjab is the leading consumer of fertilizers in terms of per kilo gram per hectare which is 9 percent of the whole fertilizers used in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether large number of cancer cases have been reported from the parts of Punjab where excessive phosphate fertilizer is in use and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has constituted any committee or panel to ascertain the reasons and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time by which final report will be submitted by the said panel to Government?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS

(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

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(a): The all India per hectare consumption of nutrients for the year 2023-24 is around 139.81 Kg whereas the per hectare consumption of nutrients for Punjab for the year 2023-24 is around 247.61 Kg.

(b) to (d): State Government of Punjab has informed that no report/research of cancer cases have been reported from the parts of Punjab where excessive phosphate fertilizer is in use.

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