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Reduction in the use of chemical fertilizer under PM-PRANAM Scheme

2575: Smt. Rekha Sharma

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

- (a) the progress made under the PM-PRANAM scheme in incentivizing States to reduce the use of chemical fertilizers;
- (b) the quantifiable outcomes in terms of nutrient reduction or shift to organic alternatives as of July 2025; and
- (c) the manner in which this initiative supports the goals of sustainable agriculture and environmental protection?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) to (c) The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA), on June 28, 2023, approved the “PM Programme for Restoration, Awareness Generation, Nourishment, and Amelioration of Mother-Earth (PM-PRANAM).” This initiative aims to support the mass movement initiated by States and Union Territories (UTs) to preserve the health of Mother Earth through the promotion of sustainable and balanced fertilizer use, adoption of alternative fertilizers, promotion of organic farming, and implementation of resource conservation technologies.

All States/UTs are covered under the PM- PRANAM scheme. Under the PM-PRANAM scheme, provisions to provide incentives to States/UTs for reduction of consumption of chemical fertilizers (Urea, DAP, NPK, MOP) in a given financial year, compared to the average consumption over the previous three years, equivalent to 50% of the fertilizer subsidy saved. Under PM-PRANAM, 14 states have shown a reduction of 15.14 LMT in consumption of chemical fertilizers during financial year 2023-24 as compared to the average consumption of previous 3 financial years.
