GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.187# TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2025

Progress made under NBS Scheme in Uttar Pradesh

187#. Smt. Darshana Singh:

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

- (a) the amount released by Government so far to provide fertilizers to farmers in Uttar Pradesh at subsidized rates, under the Nutrient-Based Subsidy (NBS) scheme:
- (b) the number of farmers who have benefited from this scheme in the State in the current financial year;
- (c) the status of distribution and price control by various fertilizer units in Uttar Pradesh as per the NBS rates; and
- (d) whether Government is considering making any additional provisions in the NBS scheme for timely supply and quality improvement of fertilizers?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a): Under 'DBT in Fertilizers' system, 100% subsidy on various fertilizer grades is released to the fertilizer companies, on actual sales to the beneficiaries based on Aadhar authentication through POS devices installed at each retail shop. All farmers, including those in Uttar Pradesh, are being supplied fertilizers at the subsidized rates on no-denial basis. An amount of Rs. 42,340.76 crore has been disbursed under the Nutrient-Based Subsidy (NBS) Scheme in Financial Year 2025-26, as on 26.11.2025 across the country including Uttar Pradesh.

- **(b):** A total of 2.07 crore unique buyers in Uttar Pradesh have availed the benefit of subsidized fertilizers under the Nutrient-Based Subsidy (NBS) Scheme from 01.04.2025 to 26.11.2025.
- **(c):** The following steps are taken by the Government before every cropping season for ensuring timely and adequate availability of fertilizers across the States including the State of Uttar Pradesh:
 - i. Before the commencement of each cropping season, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (DA&FW), in consultation with all the State Governments, assesses the State-wise & month-wise requirement of fertilizers;
 - ii. On the basis of requirement projected by DA&FW, D/o Fertilizers allocates adequate quantities of fertilizers to States by issuing monthly supply plan and continuously monitors the availability;
 - iii. The movement of all major subsidized fertilizers is monitored throughout the country by an on-line web-based monitoring system called integrated Fertilizer Monitoring System (iFMS); and
 - iv. Regular Weekly Video Conference is conducted jointly by DA&FW and D/o Fertilizers with State Agriculture Officials and corrective actions are taken to dispatch fertilizers as indicated by the State Governments.

Further, the availability of P&K fertilizers has remained adequate in the State of Uttar Pradesh during the ongoing Rabi 2025-26 season.

With regard to price control, the Government has implemented Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) Policy w.e.f. 01.04.2010 for Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) Fertilizers. Under the policy, a fixed amount of subsidy, decided on annual/bi-annual basis, is provided on notified P&K fertilizers depending on their nutrient content. Under NBS Scheme, MRP of P&K fertilizers is fixed by fertilizer companies as per market dynamics at reasonable level which is monitored by the Government. NBS policy is uniformly applicable across the country.

(d): Under NBS Scheme, MRP of P&K fertilizers is fixed by fertilizer companies as per market dynamics at reasonable level which is monitored by the Government. However, to make DAP available at affordable price of Rs. 1350 per 50 kg bag, special provisions like Rs. 3500 per MT to cover 'Other Costs' which includes costs incurred from factory gate to farm gate, advantage / disadvantage due to increase / decrease in international prices, provision for GST component included in the MRP and provision for reasonable return @ 4% of net MRP (MRP-GST) have been extended to both imported and domestic DAP and imported TSP over and above NBS subsidy for Rabi 2025-26 season to ensure timely availability of quality fertilizer to the farmers.
