

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

RAJYA SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO.*43 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 03.02.2026

Import Dependence for fertilizers

***43: Shri Raghav Chadha:**

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

- (a) whether Government has assessed India's dependence on imported fertilizer inputs and the resulting impact of global factors, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the extent of variations in fertilizer availability, prices and subsidy expenditure in the last three years;
- (c) the quantum of funds allocated and utilised to enhance domestic production capacity and reduce vulnerability to external shocks in the last three years, year-wise; and
- (d) the details of the outcomes achieved, so far, by Government to reduce import dependence?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*43 FOR 03.02.2026 REGARDING “IMPORT DEPENDENCE FOR FERTILIZERS” TABLED BY SHRI RAGHAV CHADHA:

(a) Yes, Sir. The Government monitors India's dependence on imported fertilizer inputs and the impact of global factors on availability and affordability of fertilizers. In this regard, Government facilitates Memoranda of Understanding (MOU)/Agreements between Indian companies and suppliers from resource-rich countries to diversify import sources and ensure reliable supply of fertilizer inputs. Further, under the Nutrient-Based Subsidy (NBS) Scheme for P&K fertilizers, international price volatility of key fertilizers and raw materials is considered while fixing subsidy rates to keep fertilizers affordable for farmers.

(b)

- i. The availability of fertilizers viz. of Urea, Diammonium Phosphate (DAP), NPKS (Complex fertilizers) and Muriate of Potash (MOP) has remained adequate during the last three years (2022-23 to 2024-25). The details are placed at **Annexure A**.
- ii. Urea is provided to farmers at a statutorily notified Maximum Retail Price (MRP). The MRP of a 45 kg bag of urea is Rs. 242 per bag (exclusive of charges towards neem coating and taxes as applicable). Under Nutrient-Based Subsidy (NBS) Scheme, MRP of Phosphorus & Potassium (P&K) fertilizers are decontrolled and companies are free to fix MRP as per their business dynamics at a reasonable level. The MRP of key P&K fertilizers for last 3 years are attached as **Annexure B**.
- iii. The details of actual expenditure on Fertilizers subsidy of the last 3 years are placed at **Annexure C**.

(c) Under the NBS Scheme, based on requests, new manufacturing units or increase in manufacturing capacity of existing units have been recognized/taken on record under the Scheme to increase domestic production.

Further, to facilitate fresh investment in the urea sector and enhance domestic production capacity, Government announced the New Investment Policy (NIP)-2012 on 02.01.2013 and its amendment on 07.10.2014. Under NIP-2012, 6 new urea units have been set up, each with installed capacity of 12.7 Lakh Metric Tonne per annum (LMTPA).

(d) Government has taken various measures to enhance domestic fertilizer production and reduce import dependence, including setting up of new urea units under NIP-2012, production enhancement under NUP-2015, and measures under NBS Scheme for P&K fertilizers. As a result, Urea production increased from 284.94 LMT (2022-23) to 306.67 LMT (2024-25) and Urea imports declined from 75.80 LMT to 56.47 LMT. Similarly, P&K fertilizer production increased from 200.35 LMT (2022-23) to 211.21 LMT (2024-25) and imports reduced from 112.01 LMT to 103.82 LMT.

Annexure A For Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. *43 for answer on 03.02.2026 regarding Import Dependence for fertilizers

REQUIREMENT, AVAILABILITY & SALES OF FERTILIZERS DURING THE FY 2024-25													
fig. in LMT													
S.No	State	UREA			DAP			MOP			NPKS		
		Requirement	Availability	DBT Sales									
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	Andhra Pradesh	15.90	18.68	15.70	4.30	4.80	4.34	1.50	2.38	1.71	16.00	18.36	15.78
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	Assam	3.28	4.48	4.10	0.61	0.70	0.62	0.47	0.80	0.57	0.55	0.63	0.48
5	Bihar	22.87	27.64	25.60	5.50	6.40	5.83	1.50	2.54	1.84	6.00	7.46	6.04
6	Chandigarh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	Chhattisgarh	8.90	12.03	10.07	4.10	4.19	3.83	0.73	1.13	0.76	1.80	2.84	2.34
8	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9	Daman and Diu	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	Delhi	0.23	0.43	0.40	0.01	0.05	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	Goa	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.03	0.03
12	Gujarat	25.60	25.82	24.23	6.25	5.84	5.42	0.99	1.18	0.92	7.00	9.98	8.35
13	Haryana	21.50	25.32	22.65	5.80	5.49	5.34	0.60	0.74	0.47	1.70	1.31	1.03
14	Himachal Pradesh	0.71	0.81	0.65	0.01	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.37	0.41	0.32
15	Jammu and Kashmir	1.48	2.05	1.36	0.49	0.58	0.43	0.22	0.26	0.14	0.04	0.02	0.01
16	Jharkhand	2.65	4.11	3.73	0.90	0.87	0.84	0.06	0.05	0.03	0.65	1.08	0.85
17	Karnataka	17.25	22.63	19.17	5.64	6.55	5.86	1.95	3.08	2.21	16.20	25.46	20.90

18	Kerala	1.11	1.37	1.15	0.17	0.21	0.20	0.82	1.06	0.83	1.37	1.50	1.26
19	Lakshadweep	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
20	Madhya Pradesh	35.38	42.43	38.09	16.57	12.70	11.66	1.05	1.59	1.08	8.50	11.94	9.77
21	Maharashtra	23.73	32.72	26.41	7.50	7.13	6.47	2.30	3.45	2.22	30.00	37.86	28.79
22	Manipur	0.25	0.16	0.14	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01
23	Meghalaya	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00
24	Mizoram	0.08	0.25	0.20	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
25	Nagaland	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
26	Odisha	6.05	8.15	6.67	2.86	2.83	2.56	0.85	1.11	0.77	2.75	4.04	3.28
27	Puducherry	0.16	0.16	0.15	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.07	0.11	0.08
28	Punjab	26.50	36.70	32.56	8.10	6.99	6.61	1.00	1.06	0.71	2.50	1.73	1.41
29	Rajasthan	26.20	29.43	26.40	8.50	7.11	6.90	0.21	0.28	0.20	2.25	3.04	2.55
30	Sikkim	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
31	Tamil Nadu	10.91	12.61	10.92	2.70	2.98	2.56	2.24	2.56	1.94	10.54	10.19	8.49
32	Telangana	20.20	22.15	20.08	3.90	3.91	3.64	1.30	1.44	1.14	17.00	17.54	14.97
33	Tripura	0.18	0.24	0.17	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03
34	Uttarakhand	2.03	2.60	2.31	0.30	0.52	0.40	0.08	0.08	0.04	0.40	0.28	0.21
35	Uttar Pradesh	77.00	91.72	79.18	24.05	21.55	19.51	1.72	2.50	1.76	14.50	12.85	10.50
36	West Bengal	13.80	19.05	15.77	3.55	3.62	3.12	2.50	3.41	2.57	11.00	15.25	12.24
	All India	364.01	443.83	387.92	111.92	105.14	96.29	22.21	30.85	22.02	151.29	183.98	149.72

1. Primary Indicator of comfortable availability: Availability > Requirement

2. Secondary Indicator of comfortable availability: Availability > Sales

REQUIREMENT, AVAILABILITY & SALES OF FERTILIZERS DURING THE FY 2023-24

fig. in LMT

S.No	State	UREA			DAP			MOP			NPKS		
		Requirement	Availability	DBT Sales									
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	Andhra Pradesh	15.73	17.89	14.99	4.13	4.86	4.20	1.84	1.81	1.31	13.28	17.87	14.02
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	Assam	3.46	4.56	3.73	0.75	0.87	0.72	0.66	0.69	0.44	0.30	0.39	0.23
5	Bihar	22.63	27.46	23.24	6.82	7.78	6.51	2.28	1.75	1.39	4.50	6.09	4.39
6	Chandigarh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	Chhattisgarh	8.40	11.37	8.99	3.10	5.28	4.34	0.66	0.97	0.60	1.07	1.90	1.30
8	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9	Daman and Diu	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	Delhi	0.00	0.37	0.32	0.00	0.05	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	Goa	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.03	0.02
12	Gujarat	24.71	26.78	24.30	5.86	6.71	6.29	1.30	1.00	0.80	6.00	8.93	6.97
13	Haryana	20.63	24.86	21.77	5.60	6.29	5.83	0.55	0.50	0.36	1.20	0.64	0.44
14	Himachal Pradesh	0.68	0.82	0.68	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.05	0.05	0.03	0.37	0.39	0.32
15	Jammu and kashmir	1.40	2.01	1.45	0.55	0.59	0.44	0.32	0.24	0.16	0.03	0.00	0.00
16	Jharkhand	2.47	3.74	3.04	1.02	1.06	0.94	0.21	0.03	0.03	0.41	0.46	0.33
17	Karnataka	16.10	21.02	15.65	5.90	8.13	6.42	2.45	1.97	1.54	16.50	21.09	15.84
18	Kerala	1.19	1.13	0.96	0.20	0.18	0.16	0.97	0.87	0.70	1.42	1.56	1.26
19	Lakshadweep	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
20	Madhya Pradesh	33.46	41.73	34.37	14.22	17.81	15.50	0.87	1.05	0.67	5.40	6.99	5.41

21	Maharashtra	23.74	31.06	23.48	7.00	8.93	7.36	3.00	2.18	1.42	26.50	34.08	23.04
22	Manipur	0.30	0.26	0.25	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.00
23	Meghalaya	0.02	0.05	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00
24	Mizoram	0.07	0.15	0.13	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
25	Nagaland	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
26	Odisha	5.46	7.70	5.84	2.33	3.12	2.74	1.03	0.93	0.66	2.80	3.16	2.42
27	Puducherry	0.16	0.15	0.13	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.06	0.10	0.07
28	Punjab	29.48	37.35	30.68	8.00	8.23	7.24	0.85	0.62	0.50	1.50	1.02	0.73
29	Rajasthan	24.28	29.23	25.39	8.95	9.80	9.37	0.23	0.20	0.15	1.11	1.40	1.08
30	Sikkim	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
31	Tamil Nadu	10.23	11.86	10.11	2.95	3.22	2.71	2.45	2.05	1.63	7.30	10.19	7.94
32	Telangana	18.94	23.77	19.03	3.80	4.34	3.68	2.00	1.18	0.92	15.99	17.09	13.62
33	Tripura	0.24	0.26	0.14	0.05	0.04	0.03	0.07	0.06	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02
34	Uttarakhand	1.84	2.67	2.31	0.35	0.49	0.38	0.08	0.08	0.04	0.35	0.24	0.20
35	Uttar Pradesh	76.15	91.83	74.53	24.50	25.76	21.61	2.35	1.62	1.21	9.50	10.13	7.93
36	West Bengal	14.32	17.34	12.20	4.02	3.83	3.20	3.35	2.85	1.83	10.65	12.74	9.20
	All India	356.08	437.47	357.81	110.18	127.42	109.73	27.62	22.74	16.45	126.31	156.51	116.80

1. Primary Indicator of comfortable availability: Availability > Requirement

2. Secondary Indicator of comfortable availability: Availability > Sales

20	Madhya Pradesh	33.00	36.94	32.39	18.50	17.61	13.85	1.57	0.76	0.62	4.85	6.25	4.79
21	Maharashtra	25.29	30.39	24.66	8.20	9.34	7.18	4.30	1.68	1.38	23.50	28.89	20.46
22	Manipur	0.22	0.35	0.31	0.12	0.04	0.04	0.12	0.05	0.04	0.00	0.03	0.03
23	Meghalaya	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00
24	Mizoram	0.09	0.11	0.10	0.06	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
25	Nagaland	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
26	Odisha	5.84	7.08	5.60	2.69	2.55	1.94	1.35	0.84	0.61	3.05	3.26	2.63
27	Puducherry	0.15	0.18	0.17	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.07	0.09	0.06
28	Punjab	29.25	34.90	29.45	7.25	8.46	7.17	0.90	0.49	0.41	1.70	0.71	0.58
29	Rajasthan	21.50	27.91	25.17	7.40	9.70	8.47	0.30	0.18	0.14	0.95	0.85	0.72
30	Sikkim	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
31	Tamil Nadu	9.96	11.38	10.05	2.73	3.49	2.76	2.53	1.85	1.65	6.45	9.19	7.38
32	Telangana	18.39	21.63	18.83	3.55	4.70	3.71	2.27	0.86	0.74	15.16	16.24	12.90
33	Tripura	0.27	0.28	0.19	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.09	0.06	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02
34	Uttarakhand	2.20	2.38	2.05	0.35	0.64	0.52	0.09	0.07	0.03	0.35	0.15	0.11
35	Uttar Pradesh	77.50	87.39	74.72	24.70	27.69	22.38	3.36	1.42	1.22	7.00	6.64	4.79
36	West Bengal	14.25	16.49	14.05	4.05	4.36	3.77	3.70	2.70	2.36	10.12	11.16	9.61
	All India	359.19	415.82	357.26	114.20	130.93	105.31	34.17	19.55	16.32	120.69	138.15	107.31

1. Primary Indicator of comfortable availability: Availability > Requirement

2. Secondary Indicator of comfortable availability: Availability > Sales

Annexure B For Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. *43 for answer on 03.02.2026 regarding
Import Dependence for fertilizers

Maximum Retail Price (MRP) of Key fertilizers (in Rs.) of a 50 Kg bag

Product Name	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
10-26-26	1488.04	1469.75	1530.22
12-32-16	1578.30	1493.26	1498.89
20-20-0-13	1403.21	1263.78	1283.31
DAP	1350.00	1350.00	1350.00
MOP	1707.17	1699.39	1557.56
SSP-Powdered	501.74	531.39	506.95

Annexure C for Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. *43 for answer on 03.02.2026 regarding
Import Dependence for fertilizers

The details of actual expenditure on Fertilizers subsidy of the last 3 years, is as under:

Year	P&K	Urea	Promotion of organic fertilizers	Total Actual Expenditure
2022-23	86,122.00	1,68,676.70	-	2,54,798.70
2023-24	65,199.57	1,30,220.94	4.63	1,95,420.76
2024-25	52,810.00	1,24,319.50	32.56	1,77,162.06