

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4204**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON: 28.03.2017**

**Black marketing of fertilizers**

**4204. SHRI INNOCENT:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the discontentment amongst farmers on account of large scale black-marketing and unprecedented rise in the price of fertilizers;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the details of the demand and supply and availability/distribution of different fertilizers to farmers during the current crop season, State-wise; and
- (d) the details of the corrective action taken by the Government to contain the rise in price of fertilizers and stem out black-marketing?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS,  
SHIPPING AND CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS,

**(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)**

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(a) (b)& (d): There has been no report of discontentment amongst farmers on account of large scale black-marketing and unprecedented rise in the price of fertilizers. Fertilizer has been declared as an essential commodity under Essential Commodities Act, 1955. Government of India has notified Fertilizer Control Order, 1985 under Essential Commodities Act, 1955 which prohibits sale of any fertilizer at a price exceeding the maximum price. Under Essential Commodities Act, 1955 State Governments have been empowered to take appropriate punitive actions against the violators of this Act. However, it is also informed that fertilizers at subsidized rates are provided to the farmers.

(c) : A statement indicating state-wise requirement(demand), availability and sales of different fertilizers (Urea, DAP, MOP and NPK) during Rabi 2016-17 is at **Annexure-1**.

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**ANNEXURE-1.****State-wise Requirement(demand), Availability(supply) and Sales of Urea and P& K fertilizers during Rabi 2016-17 (upto February, 2017)**

&lt;Figures in LMT&gt;

State	UREA			P&K Fertilizers		
	Req.	Avl.	Sales	Req.	Avl.	Sales
Andhra Pradesh	14.37	14.67	13.61	18.16	17.84	16.31
Arunachal Pradesh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Assam	2.88	2.81	2.66	1.52	1.42	1.26
Bihar	18.70	18.41	17.73	11.58	10.31	8.78
Chhattisgarh	5.89	5.88	5.27	6.32	4.45	3.52
Delhi	0.09	0.13	0.13	0.09	0.01	0.01
GOA	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.04	0.05
Gujarat	18.00	19.46	18.71	11.71	11.38	9.84
Haryana	17.50	19.32	18.56	7.16	6.67	6.00
Himachal Pradesh	0.57	0.56	0.56	0.39	0.41	0.41
J&K	1.10	0.99	0.92	0.81	0.89	0.81
Jharkhand	2.37	2.13	2.00	1.63	0.79	0.66
Karnataka	11.80	13.04	12.03	18.23	19.88	17.13
Kerala	0.82	1.12	1.06	1.71	2.39	2.10
Madhya Pradesh	21.50	23.40	21.67	17.12	14.09	11.12
Maharashtra	23.39	23.20	21.78	32.20	25.86	22.82
Manipur	0.20	0.17	0.17	0.12	0.00	0.00
Mizoram	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.00	0.00
Nagaland	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00
Orissa	5.88	4.74	4.53	7.07	4.60	4.02
Pondicherry	0.16	0.09	0.09	0.12	0.09	0.09
Punjab	24.50	25.00	24.00	10.06	8.27	7.95
Rajasthan	17.29	19.51	18.92	5.51	7.28	6.52
Tamil Nadu	8.08	7.56	7.07	12.92	10.35	9.13
Telangana	12.70	15.52	14.49	13.00	13.43	12.64
Tripura	0.25	0.28	0.26	0.24	0.09	0.09
Uttar Pradesh	55.00	53.83	50.51	29.90	28.72	23.55
Uttaranchal	2.30	3.47	3.38	0.76	0.76	0.64
West Bengal	11.45	11.29	10.78	15.81	14.99	13.56
<b>All India</b>	<b>276.91</b>	<b>286.69</b>	<b>271.01</b>	<b>224.32</b>	<b>205.09</b>	<b>179.01</b>