

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

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FERTILIZER RAW MATERIAL

3630. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

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

- (a) whether the country has very little reserves of fertilizer raw material and natural gas; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government to address the aforesaid issue?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

(a): Yes, Madam. However, sufficient reserves of gas are available in India at present.

(b): There is up to 90% dependence on imports for Phosphatic fertilizer, its raw materials and intermediate products and 100% import dependence for Potash. The Government of India has been encouraging Indian Companies to enter into long term agreement for supply of fertilizer raw materials and intermediaries to India and to participate in JVs in countries like Algeria, Jordan, Morocco, etc.
