GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2911 TO BE ANSWERED ON. 13.03.2018

Fertilizer Supply in Gujarat

2911. SHRI VINOD LAKHAMASHI CHAVDA:

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

- (a) whether adequate fertilizers has been suppplied to Gujarat in comparison to the demand during 2015 and 2016;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, area-wise;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the corrective steps taken to ensure adequate supply of fertilizers as per the demand?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a) & (b): Yes Madam. The supply of fertilizers in Gujarat during 2015-16 and 2016-17 was adequate. The requirement, availability and sales of fertilizers during 2015-16 and 2016-17 are indicated in the table below:

<Figures in 000MT>

Gujarat	Projected requirement	Availability	Sales
2015-16	3250	3404.22	3331.65
2016-17	3090	3306.23	3256.86

It can be seen from the table above that availability of fertilizers in Gujarat was more than the projected requirement and sales. It is pertinent to mention that Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare (DAC&FW) in consultation with States/ UTs assesses the requirement of all subsidized fertilizers before the start of each Season. Department of Fertilizers ensures availability of fertilizers at the State level and the distribution within the State is the responsibility of the respective State Government.

(c) & (d): In view of the above, question does not arise.
