

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5966 TO BE ANSWERED ON : 03.04.2018

Price of Fertilizers

5966. SHRI BAIJAYANT JAY PANDA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken into consideration the recommendations of the 16th report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers (presented in 2015) regarding the rising prices of P & K fertilizers;
- (b) whether the Government has any plans to increase production of low-cost indigenous fertilizers, as suggested by the Committee;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government plans to take any steps to reduce the fertiliser subsidy bill, as suggested by the Committee; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a): Yes Madam.

(b) to (e): Based on CCEA decision, vide notification dated 25th May, 2015, Department of Fertilizers has notified New Urea Policy – 2015 (NUP-2015) effective from 1st June, 2015, with the objectives of maximizing indigenous urea production; promoting energy efficiency in urea production; and rationalizing subsidy burden on the Government.

For growth of indigenous P&K fertilizer industry in the country, the Department of Fertilizers has taken up with the Ministry of Finance for reduction in custom on imported raw materials.
