

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. *289

TO BE ANSWERED ON: 01.01.2019

Fertilizer Vending Machines

***289 SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:**

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

- (a) whether fertilizer vending machines have been set up in some States in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether such machines are proposed to be set up in other States including Tamil Nadu also; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND CHEMICALS
& FERTILIZERS

(SHRI D.V. SADANANDA GOWDA)

*(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *289 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.01.2019 REGARDING "FERTILIZER VENDING MACHINE".

(a) & (b): M/s Gujarat Narmada Valley Fertilizers & Chemicals Limited and M/s GSFC were allowed to conduct field trials on Fertilizer Dispensing Machine (FDM) in States namely Gujarat, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh & Maharashtra. M/s GNFC has informed that technical and operational feasibility of FDMs could not be established. The company has, therefore, not installed the FDMs on commercial basis. However, M/s GSFC has informed that the company has installed one machine at Vadodara and have experienced technical and operational difficulties in dispensing of fertilizer through this machine.

(c) & (d): No proposal has been received by the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers or Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare from any company for installing FDMs in any other State.
