

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. 131* TO BE ANSWERED ON: 10.02.2023

Supply of Urea and DAP

131*: SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a shortage of supply of Di-Ammonium Phosphate (DAP) and Urea fertilizers in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that farmers have to buy DAP and Urea at exorbitant prices due to shortage of supply;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to provide DAP and Urea to farmers at reasonable fixed prices; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE AND CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS

(DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 131* FOR 10.02.2023 REGARDING "SUPPLY OF UREA AND DAP" TABLED BY SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY.

(a): No sir. The availability of all fertilizers including Di-Ammonium Phosphate (DAP) and Urea is adequate in the country as per **annexure-A**.

(b) & (c): In view of point (a) above, question does not arise.

(d) & (e): Urea is provided to the farmers at a statutorily notified Maximum Retail Price (MRP). The MRP of 45 kg bag of Urea is Rs 242 per bag (exclusive of charges towards neem coating and taxes as applicable). The difference between the delivered cost of Urea at farm gate and net market realization by the Urea units is given as subsidy to the Urea manufacturer by the Government of India.

As far as P&K fertilizers are concerned, these are covered under Open General License (OGL) under the Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) Scheme and imported and provided by the companies on commercially viable terms. Further, Government of India notifies the subsidy rates under the Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) scheme in such a way that the international price rise does not affect farming community of India and these fertilizers could be available at the affordable rates to Indian farmers. In the last 02 years, the price of DAP remained at Rs 1350/bag & major grades of NPK at Rs 1470/bag.

ANNEXURE-A					
ALL INDIA POSITION FOR RABI 2022-23(UPTO 31/01/2023)					
Fig. in LMT					
S.No	Product	Seasonal Requirement for RABI 2022-23	Pro rata Requirement From 01/10/2022 to 31/01/2023	Availability From 01/10/2022 to 31/01/2023	Cumulative DBT Sales From 01/10/2022 to 31/01/2023
1	UREA	180.18	145.57	185.42	146.41
2	DAP	55.38	48.05	61.94	45.82
3	MOP	14.35	10.95	11.02	6.90
4	NPKS	56.97	43.85	67.45	42.86
