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DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2813 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 17.03.2023

Import of fertilizer from Russia

**2813. SHRI LALLU SINGH:
SHRI TAPIR GAO:**

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

- (a) the details on the impact of Ukraine war on import of fertilizers from Russia especially that of Urea; and
- (b) whether the Government has proposed measures to promote domestic production of Urea in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA)

(a): Import of fertilizers (Urea, DAP, MOP & NPK) from Russia during the last three years and the current year (upto Feb'23) is given in the table below:

| Import of Fertilizers (Urea, DAP, MOP & NPK) from Russia during the last three years & the current Year (Upto Feb'23) | | | | |
|--|-------------|------------|------------|------------|
| (Qty in LMT) | | | | |
| Year | Urea | DAP | MOP | NPK |
| 2019-20 | 1.44 | 1.48 | 4.77 | 4.22 |
| 2020-21 | 0.94 | 2.84 | 7.26 | 8.11 |
| 2021-22 | 2.80 | 1.96 | 0.54 | 5.72 |
| 2022-23 (upto Feb'23) | 6.26 | 7.65 | 0.43 | 19.85 |

It is learnt from above table that import of Urea in the current year i.e. 2022-23 (upto Feb'23) (during the ongoing Ukraine war) is more than double as compared to the previous year i.e. 2021-22.

(b): Government has taken the following measures to promote domestic production of Urea in the country:

- Six new urea units have been set up under New Investment Policy. These are Panagarh urea unit of Matix Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd. (Matix); Gadepan-III urea unit of Chambal Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd. (CFCL); Ramagundam urea unit of Ramagundam Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd. (RFCL); and 3 urea units namely Gorakhpur, Sindri and Barauni of Hindustan Urvarak & Rasayan Limited (HURL). Each of the unit has the installed urea production capacity of 12.7 Lakh Metric Tonne Per Annum. These units have together added 76.2 LMT per annum in the existing indigenous urea production capacity of the country. Exclusive policy for revival of Talcher unit with 12.7 LMT/ annum capacity is also notified.
- Government notified New Urea Policy (NUP)-2015 with major objective of maximizing indigenous Urea production. This has resulted in additional urea production of 20-25 LMT every year.
