

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5002 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 31.03.2023

Inclusion of potash derived from Molasses in NBS Scheme

5002. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO :

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

- (a) whether the Government has included Potash Derived from Molasses, which is the indigenous product, in Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with expected quantum of production of the said product across the country, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of other fertilizers covered under Nutrient Based Subsidy Scheme; and
- (d) the details of total funds released under NBS scheme, State/UT-wise

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS
(**SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA**)

(a) & (b) : Yes sir, Potash Derived from Molasses has been included under the NBS scheme. Under the NBS scheme, the P&K fertilizer sector is decontrolled and is under Open General Licensing (OGL). P&K companies are free to manufacture/import P&K fertilizers as per their commercial consideration as well as they are free to fix MRP as per market dynamics at reasonable level which is monitored by the Government.

(c) : Name of the fertilizers covered under the Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) Scheme is enclosed as **Annexure A**.

(d) : Under NBS scheme, subsidy is given to registered P&K fertilizers manufacturers/importers which provide these fertilizers at subsidized price to farmers at pan-India level. Thus, the amounts actually disbursed (or Actual Expenditure) under the NBS scheme in past five years are as under:

(Rs. in Crore)

Years	Actual Expenditure
2022-23 (upto 15.3.2023)	85227.22
2021-22	52726.26
2020-21	37303.73
2019-20	26335.00
2018-19	24080.35

ANNEXURE – A

S. No.	Name of Fertilizers
1	DAP 18-46-0-0
2	MOP 0-0-60-0
3	SSP 0-16-0-11
4	NPS 20-20-0-13
5	NPK 10-26-26-0
6	NP 20-20-0-0
7	NPK 15-15-15
8	NP 24-24-0-0
9	AS 20.5-0-0-23
10	NP 28-28-0-0
11	NPK 17-17-17
12	NPK 19-19-19
13	NPK 16-16-16-0
14	NPS 16-20-0-13
15	NPK 14-35-14
16	NPS 24:24-0-8
17	MAP 11-52-0-0
18	TSP 0-46-0-0
19	NPK 12-32-16
20	NPK 14-28-14
21	NPKS 15-15-15-09
22	NP 14-28-0-0
23	NPK 8-21-21
24	NPK 9-24-24
25	PDM (0:0:14.5:0)

Production, import and sale of water soluble fertilizers during 2020-21 and 2021-22 are as under:-

Production, Import and sale of Water Soluble Fertilizers (Tonnes)			
Year	Production	Import	Sale
2020-21	32,779	171,474	201,413
2021-22	32,400	148,806	192,996
