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TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 19TH NOVEMBER, 2019

TARGET FOR FOODGRAIN PRODUCTION

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government has set target to meet the production target of 300 million tonnes of foodgrains by 2025;
- (b) if so, the quantum of fertilizer which will be required to produce 300 million tonnes of foodgrain, the details thereof; and
- (c) the present situation of domestic production of fertilizer in India?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): As per 4th advance estimates for the year 2018-19, the production of total foodgrains including rice, wheat, pulses and nutri cum coarse cereals is 284.59 million tonnes. In order to increase production and productivity of foodgrains, Government has been implementing various schemes viz. National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern Indian (BGREI), Soil Health Card (SHC) scheme, Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY), Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY), etc to attain the production target.

(b) & (c): This Ministry assess the fertilizer requirement on the season to season basis. Before each season i.e. Rabi and Kharif, this Ministry organizes Zonal Conference with States to assess the requirement of fertilizer and takes into account cropping pattern, cropped area, crop wise recommended dose of fertilizers, requirement of nutrients in soil as per soil health status & recommended doses, irrigated/rainfed area consumption pattern, etc. The total quantity of fertilizers assessed for 2019-20 will be 640.48 lakh million tones i.e. for kharif is 313.70 lakh million tones and for rabi is 326.78 lakh million tones. In so far as, fertilizer requirement during 2025 will be assessed as per the procedure indicated above.

As per information furnished by Department of Fertilizer, Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, the actual production of all fertilizers during 2016-17 to 2019-20 (up to October, 2019) in India are given below:-

Year	Actual production (in Lakh metric tone)
2016- 17	414.41
2017-18	413.61
2018-19	414.85
2019-20 (Up to October)	245.01
