GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1406 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 20.09.2020

AVAILABILITY OF UREA

1406. SHRI ARUN SAO:

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

- (a) whether adequate quantity of urea is available in the country at present and the farmers are getting urea and other fertilizers in adequate quantity;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including in Chhattisgarh;
- (c) whether Neem Coated Urea has been most effective in checking the blackmarketing of urea and is one of the reasons for sufficient availability of urea and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the quantum and price of urea prevented from blackmarketing by Neem coating of urea?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SHRI D.V. SADANANDA GOWDA)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The requirement, availability and sales of Urea and other fertilizers in the country/ State-wise during the Kharif'20 Season (upto 14.09.2020) is attached as Annexure A. It can be seen from the annexure that the availability of Urea is more that the projected requirement and sales.
- (c) & (d): Sir, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare (DAC&FW) was entrusted to conduct study to determine the impact of Neem Coated Urea. DAC&FW has submitted the final report prepared by Agricultural Development and Rural Transformation Centre (ADRTC). As per the findings of the said report, 'Diversion of Urea to other than crop production purposes is negligible among the farmers and in fact, it has completely stopped post introduction of Neem Coated Urea'. Consumption of fertilizers depends upon many factors. However, the use efficiency of neem coated urea in comparison to normal urea is very high.

Annexure A

Requirement, Availability and Sales Of Urea for Kharif 2020 (from 01/04/2020 to 14/09/2020)

S.No	State	Pro rata Requirement 01/04/2020 to 14/09/2020	Availability 01/04/2020 to 14/09/2020	O1/04/2020 to 14/09/2020
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0.00	0.01	0.00
2	Andhra Pradesh	6.67	8.83	6.37
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0.01	0.00	0.00
4	Assam	1.84	1.95	1.60
5	Bihar	8.72	12.45	10.15
6	Chandigarh	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	Chhattisgarh	4.87	7.79	6.58
8	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	0.00	0.01	0.01
9	Daman and Diu	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	Delhi	0.09	0.08	0.07
11	Goa	0.01	0.02	0.02
12	Gujarat	10.75	12.39	10.36
13	Haryana	9.47	10.71	8.80
14	Himachal Pradesh	0.34	0.51	0.37
15	Jammu and kashmir	0.62	1.74	1.52
16	Jharkhand	1.62	2.00	1.73
17	Karnataka	7.57	11.35	9.69
18	Kerala	0.50	0.73	0.56
19	Lakshadweep	0.00	0.00	0.00
20	Madhya Pradesh	9.93	15.08	12.20
21	Maharashtra	14.04	17.36	14.60
22	Manipur	0.20	0.19	0.15
23	Meghalaya	0.00	0.00	0.00
24	Mizoram	0.07	0.02	0.01
25	Nagaland	0.01	0.00	0.00
26	Odisha	3.47	4.19	3.47
27	Puducherry	0.04	0.07	0.06
28	Punjab	14.14	17.04	14.19
29	Rajasthan	7.09	11.08	8.03
30	Sikkim	0.00	0.00	0.00
31	Tamil Nadu	3.51	4.74	3.73
32	Telangana	8.93	10.98	9.70
33	Tripura	0.14	0.20	0.09
34	Uttarakhand	1.21	1.43	1.30
35	Uttar Pradesh	32.87	43.39	36.74
36	West Bengal	5.68	7.93	5.51
30	Total	154.43	204.28	167.61