# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1293TO BE ANSWERED ON: 27.07.2021

### **FERTILIZER POINTS**

#### 1293: SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA:

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

- (a) whether there is any requirement to increase the number of fertilizer points operated in the State of Uttar Pradesh at present;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any soil testing which being help in formulation and increase of fertilizer production; and
- (c) the time by which these fertilizer points are likely to be increased?

#### **ANSWER**

## MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE AND CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

- (a): No Sir.
- (b) Soil Health Card Scheme has been introduced in year 2014-15 to assist State Governments to issue soil health cards to all farmers in the country. Soil Health Card provides information to farmers on nutrient status of their soil along with recommendation on appropriate dosage of nutrients to be applied for improving soil health and enhancing productivity & farmer's income.
  - (i) 10.74 Crores grid based Soil Health Cards (SHCs) distributed to farmers in Cycle-I (2015-2017).
  - (ii) 11.94 Crores grid based Soil Health Cards (SHCs) distributed to farmers in Cycle-II (2017-2019).
  - (iii) In Model village Programme (2019-20), 18.74 lakh land holding based soil health cards have been distributed to farmers across the country.
- (c): In view of (a) above, Question does not arise. Present number of fertilizer points are adequate to meet the requirement.

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