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

#### LOK SABHA

### UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. +3121 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 09.08.2024

#### SUPPLY OF CHEMICAL FERTILIZERS

+3121: SHRI SHYAMKUMAR DAULAT BARVE:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note that chemical fertilizers like Urea, DAP and NPK 10-26-26 are required for cultivation of paddy, cotton, soyabean, orange, chilli, wheat and gram crops;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the quantum of the said chemical fertilizers supplied by the Government to the farmers of Ramtek Parliamentary Constituency during the last five years, year-wise;
- (d) whether the Government is aware that the major fertilizer manufacturing companies of the Union Government like IFC, NFL, IFFCO, Godavari etc. are selling the linking chemical products to the farmers through local dealers due to which the production cost of farming increases;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take any steps to prevent the sale of linking chemical products, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

- (a) & (b): Plants take nutrients from soil to meet its demand for growth. If the soil is deficient of any essential nutrient, it has to be applied. This can be through chemical fertilizers, manures or bio-fertilizers of different kinds based on the required amount. The chemical fertilizers are applied as Urea, DAP and complex fertilizers based on the demand. Further, ICAR is recommending soil test based balanced and integrated nutrient management practices through conjunctive use of both inorganic and organic sources (compost, bio-fertilizers, green manure etc).
- (c): As per the information received from the State Government of Maharashtra, the data regarding quantum of the chemical fertilizers supplied to the farmers of Ramtek Parliamentary Constituency during the last five years (year-wise) is as under:

					[Figures in MT]		
SI.NO.	Grade	2024-25	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	
		KHARIF(Till 07.08.2024)					
1	UREA	59648	134039	133083	93210	100051	
2	DAP	20705	40775	39122	26609	38060	
3	MOP	2761	3180	2454	6522	8272	
4	NPK	50315	102689	101921	91920	83915	
5	OTHER	42080	82816	83981	81924	64437	
TOTAL		175509	363499	360561	300185	294735	

(d) to (f): Tagging/linking of other products with fertilizers is not encouraged by Department of Fertilizers. Accordingly, suitable directions are issued to fertilizer companies directing them not to indulge in such practices. Further, State Governments are also advised to take strict action under the Fertilizer Control Order (FCO) – 1985 to prevent tagging.

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