

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.878 TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2024

FERTILIZER SUBSIDY TO FARMERS

878: DR. K SUDHAKAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any data regarding the fertilizer subsidy provided to the farmers during the period 2004-14 and 2014-24, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any international agreements restrict fertilizer subsidy to farmers, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any data regarding the performance of the Indian fertilizer industry, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any inflation has been observed in the rate of fertilizers in the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/proposed to be taken to keep the fertilizer prices under check; and
- (f) whether the Government has any data regarding the fertilizer prices across various States of the country and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a): The Government provides subsidy to ensure adequate availability of fertilizers at affordable prices to the farmers. Under 'DBT in Fertilizers' system, 100% subsidy on various fertilizer grades is released to the fertilizer companies, on actual sales to the beneficiaries based on Aadhar authentication through POS devices installed at each retail shop. As per records available, the details of subsidy provided for fertilizers from 2010-11 to 2024-25 (as on 22.07.2024) is available and is as below:

Year	Amount (in Crores)
2010-11	65836.68
2011-12	74569.83
2012-13	70592.1
2013-14	71280.16
2014-15	75067.31

<b>2015-16</b>	<b>76537.56</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	<b>70100.01</b>
<b>2017-18</b>	<b>69197.96</b>
<b>2018-19</b>	<b>73435.21</b>
<b>2019-20</b>	<b>83466.51</b>
<b>2020-21</b>	<b>131229.5</b>
<b>2021-22</b>	<b>157640.1</b>
<b>2022-23</b>	<b>254798.9</b>
<b>2023-24</b>	<b>195420.51</b>
<b>2024-25 (as on 22.07.24)</b>	<b>36993.39</b>

(b): No.

(c): Data regarding the performance of the Indian fertilizer industry in the country during 2010-11 to 2023-24 is as below:

<b>Year-wise production of Fertilizers (Fig. in LMT)</b>	
<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Fertilizer Production</b>
<b>2010-11</b>	<b>376.25</b>
<b>2011-12</b>	<b>387.78</b>
<b>2012-13</b>	<b>374.94</b>
<b>2013-14</b>	<b>380.46</b>
<b>2014-15</b>	<b>385.39</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	<b>413.14</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	<b>414.41</b>
<b>2017-18</b>	<b>413.61</b>
<b>2018-19</b>	<b>413.85</b>
<b>2019-20</b>	<b>425.95</b>
<b>2020-21</b>	<b>433.68</b>
<b>2021-22</b>	<b>435.95</b>
<b>2022-23</b>	<b>485.29</b>
<b>2023-24</b>	<b>503.35</b>

(d) to (f): Urea is provided to the farmers at a statutorily notified Maximum Retail Price (MRP). The MRP of 45kg bag of urea is Rs. 242 per bag (exclusive of charges towards neem coating and taxes as applicable). The difference between the delivered cost of urea at farm gate and net market realization by the urea units is given as subsidy to the urea manufacturer/importer by the Government of India. Accordingly, all farmers are supplied urea at the subsidized rate. The MRP of Urea is applicable uniformly across various States of the country.

Further, the Government has implemented Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) Policy w.e.f. 01.04.2010 for Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) Fertilizers. Under the policy, a fixed amount of subsidy, decided on annual/bi-annual basis is provided on notified P&K fertilizers depending on their nutrient content and MRP is fixed by fertilizer companies as per market dynamics at reasonable level which is monitored by the Government. While fixing the subsidy rates under NBS, Government takes into consideration various factors including affordability of farmers to purchase the notified P&K fertilizers. To check prices and ensure affordability of P&K fertilizers to the farmers, international prices of fertilizers and their raw materials are monitored and subsidy rates are reviewed on need basis and notified from time to time.

For P&K fertilizers notified under the Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) regime, the average MRP has remained more or less same across the States in the country during past few years. The grade-wise average MRP of 50 Kg bag of majorly consumed P&K fertilizers notified under NBS is as under:

S. No.	NPK Fertilizer Grade	Average MRP of 50 Kg bag (in Rs.)		
		2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
1	DAP (18-46-0-0)	1250.20	1347.00	1349.68
2	MOP (0-0-60-0)	1166.90	1707.40	1667.86
3	SSP (0-16-0-11)	354.75	501.80	626.60
4	NPK 10-26-26	1487.55	1488.05	1470.71
5	NPK 12-32-16	1436.65	1578.10	1471.98
6	NPK 20-20-0-13	1232.65	1402.30	1274.70

Data regarding selling price of the majorly consumed P&K fertilizer across various States of the country over the last year is enclosed at **Annexure**.

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Annexure referred to in reply of part (d) to (f) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 878 for answering on 26.07.2024

**Annexure**

**State-wise Average Selling Price of DAP, MOP, SSP, 10-26-26, 12-32-16 & 20-20-0-13 during 2023-24**

**\*Average Selling Price of 50 Kg Bag (in Rs.)**

State	NPK 10-26-26	NPK 12-32-16	NPK 20-20-0-13	DAP (18-46-0-0)	MOP (0-0-60-0)	SSP (0-16-0-11)
Andhra Pradesh	1442.88	1440.86	1158.62	1332.30	1652.63	491.08
Assam	1443.45	N.A.	1276.03	1331.72	1658.98	615.16
Bihar	1427.70	1448.14	1246.49	1336.58	1661.16	597.04
Chhattisgarh	1466.80	1449.83	1207.19	1337.40	1672.10	469.12
Gujarat	1462.04	1443.55	1224.38	1329.24	1654.11	542.24
Haryana	N.A.	1421.18	1223.20	1333.38	1640.82	434.53
Himachal Pradesh	N.A.	1422.13	N.A.	1293.91	1664.12	748.41
Jharkhand	1430.53	1316.21	1257.30	1331.58	1617.91	548.56
Karnataka	1445.79	1448.48	1197.98	1333.15	1668.89	526.57
Kerala	1450.28	N.A.	1218.29	1314.53	1659.09	569.07
Madhya Pradesh	1453.27	1450.60	1210.21	1335.26	1654.74	433.99
Maharashtra	1459.35	1455.69	1229.37	1338.81	1673.03	533.98
Manipur	N.A.	N.A.	1368.59	1347.20	1710.93	642.24
Odisha	1448.31	N.A.	1214.90	1336.14	1670.70	449.97
Puducherry	1430.18	N.A.	1176.53	1339.15	1668.24	547.17
Punjab	1339.90	1429.94	1252.36	1324.50	1646.26	455.20
Rajasthan	1431.91	1439.85	1226.38	1337.86	1634.56	421.62
Tamil Nadu	1446.12	1428.23	1207.32	1331.26	1661.24	531.66
Telangana	1440.93	1445.06	1155.20	1329.09	1645.28	518.37
Tripura	1396.62	N.A.	1385.04	1304.13	1484.04	563.10
Uttarakhand	N.A.	1457.50	1242.09	1335.57	1676.66	553.62
Uttar Pradesh	1450.64	1456.69	1221.74	1335.63	1641.65	528.14
West Bengal	1411.99	1079.33	1208.59	1283.84	1569.02	540.06
Meghalaya	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	609.57
Mizoram	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	1350.00	1700.00	550.00
Jammu and Kashmir	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	1332.25	1665.17	746.83
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	931.34	627.71	N.A.
Delhi	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	1333.49	1484.00	N.A.
Goa	1446.25	1418.94	1265.20	1306.38	1639.36	N.A.
Nagaland	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	1291.93	1700.00	N.A.
Dadra and Nagar Haveli	N.A.	N.A.	1245.78	1350.00	N.A.	N.A.
Arunachal Pradesh	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	1300.00	170.00	N.A.

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