GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3176+ TO BE ANSWERED ON: 13.12.2024

Increasing Prices of Chemical fertilizers

3176+: SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:

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

- (a) whether liquid urea and liquid 18:46 O (DA) has been provided in the State of Maharashtra during 2020-2024 and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (b) the number of time, prices of chemical fertilizers have been increased during the last five years, year-wise;
- (c) the quantum of chemical fertilizers imported in the country during the last five years;
- (d) the manner in which fertilizers are being supplied in the country for better farming;
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure that farmers are getting suitable fertilizers at affordable price; and
- (f) the steps being taken by the Government to provide relief from increasing prices of fertilizers?

ANSWER

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

(a): Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (DA&FW) has included Nano Urea (Liquid) and Nano DAP under the Fertilizer Control Order (FCO) – 1985 that is produced by several Fertilizer Companies.

Accordingly, Nano Urea and Nano DAP are regularly provided in the State of Maharashtra.

(b) to (f): Under Urea Subsidy Scheme, Urea is provided to the farmers at a statutorily notified Maximum Retail Price (MRP) irrespective of the cost of production. The subsidized MRP of 45 Kg bag of urea is Rs. 266.50. The MRP of 45 Kg bag of Urea has remained the same during the last five years i.e. from 2019-20 to 2023-24. Further, under Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) scheme, the MRP of Phosphatic & Potassic (P&K) fertilizers is decontrolled and fixed by fertilizer companies as per market dynamics at reasonable level which is monitored by the Government. The details of MRP of major NPK grades, DAP, MOP and SSP from 2022-23 to 2024-25 is placed at **Annexure.** Accordingly, fertilizers are made available to farmers at affordable prices.

The chemical fertilizers imported in the country during the last five years is as follows:

Import of chemical fertilizers (Urea, DAP, MOP and NPK) from 2019-20 to 2024-25 (Till November, 2024)									
				Qty in LMT					
Year	Urea	DAP	MOP *	NPK					
		As reported by companies							
2019-20	91.23	48.70	36.70	7.46					
2020-21	98.28	48.82	42.27	13.90					
2021-22	91.36	54.62	24.60	11.70					
2022-23	75.80	68.83	18.66	27.52					
2023-24	70.42	55.67	28.69	22.17					

Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (DA&FW) assesses the requirement for major fertilizers viz. UREA, DAP, MOP and NPKS fertilizers, before each cropping season (viz. Kharif & Rabi) through "Zonal Conference for Agricultural Inputs". Based on the assessment done by DA&FW, Department of Fertilizers allocates adequate quantities of fertilizers to States by issuing monthly supply plan and continuously monitors the availability position. These supplies are met through indigenous production as well as imports.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to partS (b) to (f) of Lok Sabha un-starred question No. 3176 for answering on 13.12.2024

Product -Wise Average MRP(Rs./MT) from 2019-20 to 2024-25 as on October-24

Product Name	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
10-26-26	25750.94	24575.66	29751.24	29760.78	29394.92	29895.40
12-32-16	25734.16	24643.11	28733.24	31562.41	29865.16	29400.00
20-20-0-13	20707.05	19950.14	24652.55	28045.64	25275.63	25253.09
DAP	26518.28	24966.78	25003.55	26939.94	26999.77	27000.00
МОР	18981.04	17872.63	23338.42	34147.54	33987.88	31584.03
SSP-Granular	8213.69	8468.49	7750.95	10555.79	11157.39	10903.18

^{*} Data from FMS & iFMS(dbtfert.nic.in)
