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

# LOK SABHA

## STARRED QUESTION NO.77\* TO BE ANSWERED ON: 07.02.2025

## Distribution of Fertilizers in Kharif and Rabi Seasons

### 77\*: MD ABU TAHER KHAN:

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

- the number of days or time period before Kharif and Rabi crop seasons during which the distribution of fertilizers is ensured by the Government in different States and UTs; and
- (b) whether there has been an increase in black marketing due to non-supply of fertilizers at the appropriate seasonal time as a result of which the farmers have to face various problems to collect their required fertilizers to grow crops at low lost and if so, the details thereof?

### ANSWER

MINISTER FOR CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS AND HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE

## (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) to (b): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

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#### STATEMENT REFERRED TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 77\* FOR 07.02.2025 REGARDING "DISTRIBUTION OF FERTILIZERS IN KHARIF AND RABI SEASONS" TABLED BY SHRI MD ABU TAHER KHAN.

(a): Before the commencement of each cropping season, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (DA&FW) assesses the State-wise & Month-wise requirement of fertilizers. To fulfil this requirement of fertilizers in the States as per assessment done by DA&FW, D/o Fertilizers allocates adequate quantities of fertilizers to States by issuing monthly supply plans. These supplies are met through indigenous production as well as imports. The movement of all major subsidized fertilizers is monitored through web-based monitoring system called integrated Fertilizer Monitoring System (iFMS).

(b): The availability of fertilizers has remained adequate during the ongoing Rabi 2024-25 Season (From 01.10.2024 to 02.02.2025) which is indicated in the table below:-

### ALL INDIA FERTILIZER AVAILABILITY POSITION DURING RABI 2024-25 SEASON (TILL 02.02.2025)

SI. NO	PRODUCT GROUP	SEASONAL REQUIREM ENT	PRO- RATA REQUIREMENT FROM 01.10.2024 TO 02.02.2025	AVAILABILI TY FROM 01.10.2024 TO 02.02.2025	DBT SALES FROM 01.10.2024 TO 02.02.2025	CLOSING STOCK AS ON 02.02.2025
1	UREA	186.89	151.73	201.26	158.84	42.42
2	DAP	52.05	46.43	53.48	44.42	9.06
3	MOP	11.95	9.32	18.78	9.60	9.18
4	NPKS	77.10	61.66	82.98	59.92	23.06

<QTY IN LMT>

Further, fertilizers are declared as an essential commodity under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 and notified under Fertilizer Control Order, 1985. State Governments are empowered to take action against persons involved in black-marketing, hoarding and smuggling as per provisions of EC Act. Any complaint received at Department of Fertilizers level regarding black marketing/over-pricing of fertilizers is sent to concerned State Government to take appropriate action under Essential Commodities Act, 1955 and Fertilizer Control Order, 1985.