

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3655 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 21.03.2025

Fertilizer Production Units

3655. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to set up new factories for fertilizer production in the country;
- (b) if so, the States where these factories are proposed to be established and the expected timeline for their completion;
- (c) whether the Government has taken measures to modernise fertilizer production technologies in existing fertilizer companies;
- (d) if so, the key initiatives undertaken and the manner in which they will enhance efficiency and sustainability in fertilizer production;
- (e) whether the Government has taken steps to promote the use of gypsum in building construction across the country; and
- (f) if so, the details of the specific measures introduced and manner in which they are being implemented to encourage adoption in the construction sector?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS

(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) & (b): Government mandated revival of Ramagundam (Telangana), Gorakhpur (Uttar Pradesh), Sindri (Jharkhand) and Talcher (Odisha) units of Fertilizer Corporation of India and Barauni (Bihar) unit of Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Ltd through Joint Venture Company of nominated PSUs for setting up new ammonia-urea plants of 12.7 LMTPA capacity each. The Ramagundam and Gorakhpur units have been commissioned on 22.03.2021 and 07.12.2021 respectively. Also, Barauni and Sindri units have started urea production on 18.10.2022 and 05.11.2022 respectively. Talcher unit is under execution phase.

(c) & (d): With regard to Urea, the Government had announced New Investment Policy (NIP) – 2012 on 2nd January, 2013 and its amendment on 7th October, 2014 to facilitate fresh investment in the urea sector and to make India self-sufficient in

the urea sector. Total 6 new urea units have been set up under NIP-2012. These new urea plants have been established with latest technology designed for much lower energy consumption, around 5.0 Gcal/MT. Also, under New Urea Policy (NUP)-2015, Target Energy Norms (TEN) were given to the urea units. The urea units were expected to achieve TEN for which the units have resorted to the latest technological up gradation in the plants. Resultantly, 19 urea units have achieved TEN till date. Implementation of NUP-15 norms has resulted in improving energy consumption of Urea plants from 6.04 Gcal/MT during 2014-15 to around 5.59 Gcal/MT during 2023-24.

(e): Nil

(e) : In view of (e) above, question does not arises.
