

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

**LOK SABHA**

**STARRED QUESTION NO. 89\* TO BE ANSWERED ON: 25.07.2025**

**Restriction on import of Speciality Fertilizes**

**89\*. SHRI SASHIKANTH SENTHIL:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of recent restrictions or suspension of speciality fertilizer exports from China to India, if so, the nature and timeline of these restrictions;
- (b) whether India relies significantly on China for the import of such fertilizers, including water soluble and micronutrient based products and if so, the estimated percentage of share of these imports;
- (c) whether the ban on exports of speciality fertilizers from China has had any impact on fertilizer availability, pricing, or agricultural productivity in the country, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has undertaken measures to ensure uninterrupted supply of speciality fertilizers and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER FOR CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS AND HEALTH & FAMILY  
WELFARE

**(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO 89\* FOR  
25.07.2025 REGARDING “RESTRICTION ON IMPORT OF SPECIALITY  
FERTILIZES” TABLED BY SHRI SASHIKANTH SENTHIL**

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**(a) to (d):** Specialty Fertilizers are not subsidized fertilizers within the ambit of Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) Scheme administered by Department of Fertilizers. Fertilizer companies are free to import these fertilizers as per their business dynamics. Over the past 2–3 months, China has reportedly withheld export of specialty fertilizers to India. Thirteen companies in India have capacity to produce 1.24 LMT of Water Soluble Fertilizers and as annual consumption of Water Soluble Fertilizers was around 3.35 LMT (2023-24), a significant quantity of approximately 1.6 LMT was imported from China during 2024-25. Indian companies are actively sourcing Water Soluble Fertilizers from alternative suppliers in Belgium, Egypt, Germany, Morocco & USA to offset the shortfall caused by reduced imports from China. In the case of micronutrients, India imports major quantity of various micronutrients from Greece, Turkey, USA, Spain, Singapore and Netherlands, while a little quantity of zinc sulphate monohydrate from China. Therefore, there will be not much impact on the availability of micronutrients.

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