

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4639 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 20.03.2026

Shortfall in Domestic Production of Fertilizer

4639. SHRI BRIJENDRA SINGH OLA:

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

- (a) whether it is true that the domestic fertilizer production has shown a shortfall compared to projected demand in the country during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, year-wise;
- (c) the extent to which there has been reliance on fertilizer imports to meet such shortfalls;
- (d) whether the timely availability of fertilizers has been affected in Rajasthan during the peak sowing season;
- (e) whether the provision made in the Union Budget for revival of closed fertilizer units or expansion of domestic production capacity are aimed at reducing the supply risk; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) : The availability of fertilizers such as Urea, DAP, MOP and NPKs has remained adequate in the country during the last three years from 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25. The gap between demand and indigenous production of fertilizers is met through imports well in advance to ensure adequate and timely availability of fertilizers in the country. The year-wise domestic production, demand and imports of major fertilizers such as Urea, DAP, MOP and NPKs during the last three years from 2022-23 to 2024-25 are given at **Annexure**.

(d): The availability of fertilizers such as Urea, DAP, MOP and NPKs has remained adequate in the State of Rajasthan during the ongoing Rabi 2025-26 season. The information regarding requirement, availability, sales and closing stock of these fertilizers from 01.10.2025 to 15.03.2026 in the State of Rajasthan are given as under:

Fertilizer Position for Rabi 2025-26 (Till 15/03/26) in the State of Rajasthan						
(Figures in LMT)						
S.No	Product	Seasonal Requirement for Rabi 2025-26	Pro rata Requirement From 01/10/25 to 15/03/26	Availability From 01/10/25 to 15/03/26	Cumulative DBT Sales From 01/10/25 to 15/03/26	Closing Stock as on 15/03/26
1	Urea	15.00	14.48	18.57	14.40	4.17
2	DAP	4.50	4.45	5.68	4.10	1.58
3	MOP	0.60	0.55	0.67	0.28	0.40
4	NPKs	1.50	1.47	0.99	0.61	0.38

(e) to (f) : 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 which includes 4 urea units set up through Joint Venture Companies (JVC) of nominated PSUs and 2 urea units set up by the private companies. The units set up through JVC are Ramagundam urea unit of Ramagundam Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd (RFCL) in Telangana and 3 urea units namely Gorakhpur, Sindri and Barauni of Hindustan Urvarak & Rasayan Limited (HURL) at Gorakhpur in Uttar Pradesh, Sindri in Jharkhand and Barauni in Bihar, respectively. The units set up by private companies are Panagarh urea unit of Matix Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd. (Matix) in West Bengal; and Gadepan-III urea unit of Chambal Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd. (CFCL) in Rajasthan. Each of these units has installed capacity of 12.7 Lakh Metric Tonne per annum (LMTPA). These units are highly energy efficient as they are based on latest technology.

Further, an exclusive policy for the revival of Talcher unit of FCIL through JVC of nominated PSUs namely Talcher Fertilizers Limited (TFL) by setting up a new Greenfield urea plant of 12.7 LMTPA at coal gasification route has also been approved. Recently, the Union Cabinet has approved the proposal for setting up of a new Brownfield Ammonia-Urea Complex of 12.7 Lakh Metric Tonnes (LMT) annual capacity of Urea production within the existing premises of Brahmaputra Valley Fertilizer Corporation Limited (BVFCL), Namrup, Assam. Both are under execution.

Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No 4627 for answering on 20.03.2026

Domestic Production, Demand and Imports of major fertilizers such as Urea, DAP, MOP and NPKs during the last three years from 2022-23 to 2024-25												
(Figures in LMT)												
Year	Urea			DAP			NPKs			MOP		
	Demand	Production	Import	Demand	Production	Import	Demand	Production	Import	Demand	Production	Import
2022-23	359.19	284.94	75.8	114.2	43.47	65.83	120.69	100.40	27.52	34.17	NA*	18.66
2023-24	356.08	314.09	70.42	110.18	42.93	55.67	126.31	101.85	22.17	27.62	NA*	28.69
2024-25	364.01	306.67	56.47	111.92	37.69	45.69	151.29	121.05	22.72	22.21	NA*	35.41

*MOP is not produced domestically and is 100% imported.
