GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

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Research on Fertilizers

431 SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state whether the Government has taken steps to promote scientific research consistently for improving the quality and effectiveness of fertilizers, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS

(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

There is a Plan Scheme titled "Science & Technology" Programme in the Department of Fertilizers under which Grants are given to various reputed institutes in the country. The Science & Technology (S&T) Programme of Department of Fertilizers primarily lays emphasis at research and development of processes and equipments to lower specific energy consumption in fertilizer plants. Besides projects in the area of adopting pollution free means for chemical reaction in fertilizer plant vis-à-vis disposal of hazardous spent catalyst after recovery of valuable metals, recharging the fertility of the soil are also being sponsored by this Department. All these Research & Development projects sponsored by this Department through premier academic institutions are with the ultimate objective of disseminating successful outcomes to the fertilizer industry for adoption in production process.
