

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3737
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 09.08.2016

Direct Subsidy Transfer

3737 SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that henceforth the fertilizer subsidy would be deposited in the Aadhaar Card linked accounts of farmers and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the farmers will have to first buy fertilizers and then subsidy would be deposited in their Aadhaar Card linked accounts by the Government and if so,
- (c) the details thereof; and
- (d) the target set by the Government to save the subsidies given to farmers on fertilizers ?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS,
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

(a) to (c): No Madam. As per Government of India decision, DoF will be conducting pilot in 8 districts in the coming Rabi Season (2016-17) and in another 8 Districts in Kharif Season (2017-18) to capture authenticated Retailer Sales and Buyer's details as a precursor to DBT in fertilizer sector.

The feasibility of DBT in fertilizer would be ascertained only after analyzing the results of the pilot.

Once the pilot is completed, the Department will be in a position to evaluate technical and operational challenges and issues. Based on the results of the pilot, DoF will then move with the pan India roll-out of DBT.
