

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 249 TO BE ANSWERED ON : 21.07.2023

Decline in fertilizer Subsidy

**249 SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:
SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:
SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU:**

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

- (a) whether fertilizer subsidies have declined over the last few years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the budgetary cut along with the decline in subsidies at a time when prices of fertilizers has risen sharply after the Ukraine war leading to its shortages has affected the farmers across the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore, year-wise since 2010; and
- (e) whether the Government has taken any steps to incentivize farmers to continue agricultural operations in such situation and help them at field level?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS
(SHRI BHAGWANT KHUBA)

(a) to (d): The expenditure incurred in the fertilizers subsidy in the 3 years is as follow:-

(Rs in Crore)

S. No	Financial year	Expenditure on subsidy
1.	2020-21	131229.50
2.	2021-22	157640.09
3.	2022-23	254841.43

As may be seen there is no budgetary cut or decline in fertilizer subsidies and the availability of Chemical fertilizers in India has remained comfortable during the last 2 years i.e. 2021-22, 2022-23 and in the ongoing Kharif 2023 season.

(e): Under Urea subsidy scheme Urea is provided to the farmers at a statutory notified maximum retail price (MRP). The MRP of 45 KG bag of Urea is Rs. 242 per bag (exclusive of charges towards neem coating and taxes as applicable). The difference between the delivered cost of urea at farm gate and net market realization by the urea unit is given as subsidy to the urea manufacturer/importer by the Government of India. Accordingly, all farmers are being supplied urea at a statutorily fixed and subsidized rates irrespective of the cost of production/import of the urea.

As far as P&K fertilizers are concerned, Government has implemented Nutrient Based Subsidy Policy w.e.f. 1.4.2010 for Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) Fertilizers. Under the policy, a fixed amount of subsidy, decided on annual/semi-annual basis, is provided on subsidised P&K fertilizers depending on their nutrient content. Under this policy, MRP is fixed by fertilizer companies as per market dynamics at reasonable level which is monitored by the Government. The current average MRP of P&K fertilizers gade-wise is enclosed as **Annexure – A**.

Annexure-A

Grade-wise Average MRP

S.No	Product Name	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24 (till July-23)
1	10-26-26	29353	29603	29389
2	12-32-16	29082	30951	30614
3	14-28-0-0	28392	31613	31286
4	14-28-14		35900	
5	14-35-14	32654	33691	30400
6	15-15-15	25658	29475	29400
7	15-15-15-9	25295	29000	29000
8	16-20-0-13	23568	26546	23902
9	17-17-17	25000	25000	25000
10	19-19-19	32667	34000	31000
11	20-20-0	21975	25362	23507
12	20-20-0-13	24732	28035	24607
13	24-24-0	32278	34943	33619
14	24-24-0-8	29700	32783	30000
15	28-28-0	32736	33262	30000
16	Amm Sulphate	17022	20555	20000
17	City Compost		4477	
18	DAP	25170	26982	27000
19	Imported 10-26-26	29153	29398	28742
20	Imported 12-32-16	29303	30848	31557
21	Imported 15-15-15	23200	29385	29175
22	Imported 15-15-15-9	25145	29111	29047
23	Imported 16-16-16	24670	27173	24275
24	Imported 16-20-0-13	25000	28805	28995
25	Imported 17-17-17		25000	
26	Imported 20-20-0-13	24104	28701	26243
27	Imported DAP	25231	26826	27000
28	Imported MAP		33910	33973
29	MOP	23005	33733	34685
30	Neem Coated Urea(45 Kg)		14700	
31	SSP-Boronated		11795	11612
32	SSP-Granular		10825	10559
33	SSP-Powdered		10308	10023
34	SSP-Zincated(Granular)		11513	11280
35	SSP-Zincated(Powder)		10713	10466
36	SSP-Zincated-Boronated(Granular)		13754	13439
37	TSP		25000	25000
38	Zinc and Boron NPK 8-21-21(40 Kg)	45050	44479	43750
39	Zinc and Boron NPK 9-24-24(40Kg)	47500	45552	44750
40	Zincated 10-26-26	28625		30000
41	Zincated 20-20-0-13	28750	29073	
42	Zincated NPK 14-35-14	33000	32000	32000

* Data from dbtfert.nic.in
