

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

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UN STARRED QUESTION NO. 329 TO BE ANSWERED ON : 21.07.2023

New Fertilizer Policy

329. SHRI SANJAY BHATIA :

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to bring out a new fertilizer policy in view of the growing domestic demand, continuous emphasis on immense growth in the domestic agro-input industry and required improvement in balanced plant nutrition and farm productivity and income through higher agro-input penetration; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS

(SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA)

(a) & (b): The Government has approved the Market Development Assistance (MDA) @ Rs. 1500/MT, to promote organic fertilizers, i.e., manure produced at plants under GOBARdhan initiative; PM Programme for Restoration, Awareness Generation, Nourishment and Amelioration of Mother Earth (PM-PRANAM) and Sulphur Coated Urea with the name of 'Urea Gold'.

The Government is promoting the balanced and judicious use of fertilizers based on soil test based recommendations in conjunction with organic and bio-fertilizers.

Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) is recommending soil test based balanced and integrated nutrient management through conjunctive use of both inorganic and organic sources (manure, bio-fertilizers, green manuring, in-situ crop residue recycling etc.) of plant nutrients, inclusion of leguminous crops, crop residue recycling to improve soil health and fertility. ICAR conduct research to test and develop organic inputs for different crops. ICAR also promote these products among the stakeholders through its network of Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs).
