

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1035 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 08.12.2023**

**Shortage of Fertilizers in Tamil Nadu**

**1035: DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Tamil Nadu plantations cultivating tea, coffee, rubber and spices on 1.3 lakh ha. have been hit by the shortage in availability of fertilizers for almost a year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has any plan to distribute fertilizers in the said areas; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
**(SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA)**

(a) & (b): The availability of fertilizers i.e. Urea, DAP, MOP and P&K in the state of Tamil Nadu, including the plantation area remained comfortable during the ongoing Rabi 2023-24 season as per the table given below:

<b>TAMIL NADU POSITION FOR RABI 2023-24(UPTO 04/12/2023 )</b>						
<b>S. No</b>	<b>Product</b>	<b>Seasonal Requirement for RABI 2023-24</b>	<b>Pro rata Requirement From 01/10/2023 to 04/12/2023</b>	<b>Availability From 01/10/2023 to 04/12/2023</b>	<b>Cumulative DBT Sales From 01/10/2023 to 04/12/2023</b>	<b>Closing Stock as on 04/12/2023</b>
1	UREA	6.00	3.00	3.86	2.39	1.47
2	DAP	1.50	0.73	0.92	0.58	0.34
3	MOP	1.25	0.53	0.82	0.34	0.48
4	NPKS	4.30	2.05	3.95	1.66	2.28

(c) & (d): The mandate of the Department of Fertilizers is to ensure adequate and timely availability of fertilizers to the farmers by ensuring comfortable availability at the state levels on the basis of month-wise & State-wise projections given by DA&FW. However, within States, respective state government ensures comfortable availability through proper Inter-District and Intra-District Distribution Channels.

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