New scheme for subsidy on fertilizers

†2520. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI: SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that a new scheme has been proposed by Government to provide subsidy on fertilizers:
 - (b) if so, the name given to this scheme under this proposal; and
- (c) the sectors from which Government has so far taken approval for this proposal and status of price and availability of those chemical fertilizers which have been included in this proposed scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) to (c) At present, there are two fertilizer policies namely Nutrient Based Subsidy Policy for decontrolled P&K fertilizers effective from 1.4.2010 and New Pricing Scheme (stage-III) for Urea extended on provisional basis till further orders. The policy beyond NPS-III is under consideration of Government.

Production of chemical fertilizers

†2521. SHRI SHIVANAND TIWARI: SHRI RAMCHANDRA PRASAD SINGH:

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

- (a) whether chemical fertilizers are produced in the country;
- (b) if so, the names of chemicals fertilizers produced in the country and the details of annual average quantum produced thereof;
- (c) how much percentage of consumption requirement is met through this production in the country;
- (d) whether fertilizers are imported to meet the balance requirement in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details of prices of average imported and indigenously produced fertilizers during the year 2011-12?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Urea, DAP and NPK are produced in the country and their annual quantum produced along with percentage of indigenous production as compared to the total consumption (sale) during the year 2011-12 is given in the table below:-

[†] Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.