

Increase in the price of urea and other fertilizers

†1584. SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there has been manifold increase during last three years in the prices of urea and other fertilizers beneficial to agriculture;
- (b) if so, the statistical data of the price hike of various fertilizers during the said period;
- (c) the main reasons for this price hike; and
- (d) the details of all the efforts made to check this price hike?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) to (d) The prices of urea which is fixed by the Government has remained unchanged from 1.4.2010 to 31.10.2012. However, with effect from 1.11.2012, the maximum retail price of urea has been increased by Rs. 50 per MT, raising it to Rs. 5360 per MT.

The Government is implementing Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) Policy on Phosphatic & Potassic (P&K) fertilizers w.e.f. 1.4.2010 under which a fixed amount of subsidy decided on annual basis is provided on all subsidized P&K fertilizers depending upon its nutrient content. The Maximum Retail Prices (MRP) is fixed by fertilizer companies.

The NBS rates are decided by the Government in the last quarter of the year for the following year after taking into consideration all relevant factors including international prices of P&K fertilizers and its raw materials, inventory level of P&K fertilizers & prevailing prices of fertilizers in the country and the prevailing exchange rate.

The price of P&K fertilizers have increased during the last two years due to fluctuation in the international prices of P&K fertilizers, which is not under the control of the Government and on account of depreciation of India Rupee.

The MRPs of various subsidized fertilizers during the last three years are given in the Statement.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Quarter-wise highest MPR of P fertilizers during the period 2010-11 to 2012-13 (Nov)

Sl. No.	Grades of Fertilizers	2010-11(Qtr. Wise)				2011-12 (Qtr. wise)				2012-13 (Qtr.-wise)			
		I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	October	Nov.
1	DAP: 18-46-0-0	9950	9950	9950	10750	12500	18200	20297	20000	24800	26500	26500	26500
2	MAP: 11-52-0-0	9950	NA	NA	NA		18200	20000	20000	20000	24200	24200	
3	TSP: 0-46-0-0	8057	8057	8057	8057	8057	8057	17000	17000	17000			
4	MOP: 0-0-60-0	5055	5055	5055	5055	6064	11300	12040	12040	16695	23100	18750	22213
5	16-20-0-13	6620	6620	6620	7200	9645	14400	15300	15300	15300	18200	18200	18200
6	20-20-0-13	7280	7280	7395	8095	11400	14800	15800	15800	19000	24800	19176	19176
7	23-23-0-0	NA	NA	NA	7445	7445	7445						
8	10-26-26-0	8197	NA	8300	10103	10910	16000	16633	16386	21900	22225	22225	22225
9	12-32-16-0	8637	8237	8637	9437	11313	16400	16500	16400	22300	23300	22500	22500
10	14-28-14-0	NA	NA	NA	NA		14950	17029					
11	14-35-14-0	NA	NA	NA	9900	11622	15148	17424	17600	17600	23300	23300	23300
12	15-15-15-0	NA	NA	NA	7421	8200	11000	11500	11500	13000	15600	15600	15600
13	AS: 20.3-0-0-23	8600	8600	7600	8700	7600	11300	10306	10306	11013	11013	11013	11013

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14	20-20-0-0	5943	NA	6243	7643	9861	14000	15500	18700	18700	24450	24450	24450
15	28-28-0-0	NA	NA	NA	11181	11810	15740	18512	18700	24720	24720	23905.39	23905
16	17-17-17-0	NA	NA	NA	NA				17710	20427	20522	20522.34	20572
17	19-19-19-0	NA	NA	NA	NA				18093	19470	19470	18093	19470
18	SSP(0-16-0-11)*	3200	3200	3200	3200	3200	4000 to 6300			6500 to 7500			
19	16-16-16-0	NA	NA	NA	7100	7100	7100	15200	15200	15200			
20	DAP lite (16-44-0-0)	NA	NA	NA	NA	11760	17600	19500	19500	19500	24938	24937.5	24938
21	15-15-15-09	NA	NA	NA	6800	9300	12900	15750	14851	15000	15000	15000	
22	24-24-0-0	NA	NA	NA	7768	9000	11550	14151	14297	14802	16223	16223	
23	13-33-0-6	NA	NA	NA	NA		16200	17400	17400	17400	17400	17400	
24	MAP lite (11-44-0-0)	NA	NA	NA	NA		16000	18000	18000	18000	21500	21500	17000
25	DAP lite-II (14-46-0-0)	NA	NA	NA	NA		14900	18690	18300	18300	24800	24800	24000
26	Urea						5310						5360

MRP is exclusive of taxes

Fertilizers grade mentioned at Sr. No 7, 23, 24, 25 are not under subsidy scheme presently.

NA means not available/not under subsidy scheme.

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