(Figures in LMT)

| Product | Demand | Supply | Sales |
|---------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | (Requirement) | (Availability) | April'14 to Feb.'15 |
| | April'14 to Feb.'15 | April'14 to Feb.'15 | |
| Urea | 296.50 | 286.79 | 284.14 |
| DAP | 92.88 | 72.16 | 67.56 |
| MOP | 28.59 | 28.78 | 24.98 |
| Complex | 94.27 | 84.54 | 76.32 |

Supply of DAP and Complex fertilizers is low because of low sales. In March, 2015 demand (requirement) for Urea, DAP, MOP & NPK is 10.21 LMT, 3.05 LMT, 1.67 LMT and 5.54 LMT respectively and the availability of the fertilizers is expected to be higher than the demand (requirement).

All India Demand Projections of Fertilizer 2015-16 to 2019-20

(Figures in LMT)

| Year | Urea | DAP | NP/NPKs | MOP |
|---------|--------|--------|---------|-------|
| 2015-16 | 328.58 | 122.12 | 111.42 | 46.43 |
| 2016-17 | 336.77 | 124.13 | 114.20 | 47.93 |
| 2017-18 | 337.54 | 127.64 | 118.41 | 49.34 |
| 2018-19 | 345.36 | 129.50 | 123.18 | 50.48 |
| 2019-20 | 353.07 | 130.14 | 127.99 | 50.86 |

- (b) The gap between demand and indigenous production is fulfilled through import. The cost of imported fertilizers is nearly same as that of domestic production.
- (c) Yes, Sir. Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) and Chambal Fertilizers and Chemicals Limited (CFCL) has proposed to implement a Greenfield Ammonia/Urea fertilizer project on a suitable site near ONGC's newly found gas fields at Khubal in North Tripura district. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between Tripura Government, ONGC and CFCL on April 9, 2013.

Establishment of PCPIRs

2605. SHRI PYARIMOHAN MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of locations where Petroleum, Chemicals and Petrochemicals Investment Regions (PCPIRs) have been proposed to be established;

- (b) the progress made in each case against the targets fixed, if any; and
- (c) the reasons for slow progress in some cases and remedial measures taken to expedite their completion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR): (a) to (c) The Government of India has approved setting up four PCPIRs in the States of Andhra Pradesh (Vishakhapatnam–Kakinada), Gujarat (Dahej), Odisha (Paradeep) and Tamil Nadu (Cuddalore–Nagapattinam) which are estimated to attract investments of around ₹ 7.63 lakh crore and provide employment to around 33.96 lakh persons. These PCPIRs are at different stages of implementation. PCPIRs are the projects with long gestation period and may take around 15-20 years to achieve full potential. As on 31.01.2015, investment of approx. ₹ 1.60 lakh crore have been made and direct and indirect employment for approx 2.23 lakh persons has been generated.

The PCPIR projects are already functional and realization of full potential is a gradual process. The Government has set up Steering Committees for monitoring the implementation of PCPIRs in various States. The PCPIRs have been promoted in domestic and international forum through exhibition, road shows and interaction with industry associations in order to attract investments.

Hitches in distribution of fertilizers in Gujarat

2606. SHRI DILIPBHAI PANDYA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are distribution hitches regarding supply of fertilizers, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has received any proposal or representations in this regard, if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government thereon; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to remove the hitches to ensure proper and timely supply of fertilizers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR): (a) to (c) No distribution hitches are there in supply of fertilizers. Further, Department of Fertilizers makes available fertilizers at State level and distribution within the State through cooperative sector, private sector and marketing federations is the responsibility of the concerned State Government. However, following steps are taken to ensure proper and timely supply of fertilizers:—