

as per the provisions of SEZ Act and Rules. Before de-notification of any SEZ, clearance from the State Government is always sought. De-notification of SEZs are approved by BoA subject to refund of concessions/benefits availed by the Developer as per the relevant provisions of law.

Safety distance for storage of ammonium nitrate

1869. SHRIMATI KAHKASHAN PERWEEN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any safety distance is required to be maintained for a proposed store house of 60 MT capacity, for the purpose of storage and sale of Ammonium Nitrate from an existing explosive storage magazine as per the Ammonium Nitrate Rules, 2012; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI NIRMALA SITHARAMAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details regarding safety distance are as under :—

- (i) As per Rule 12(4) (a) (ii) of the Ammonium Nitrate Rules, 2012 the Ammonium Nitrate store house shall maintain a safety distance of 9 metres from the compound wall and 90 metres from any protected works for storage exceeding 30 MT.
- (ii) Storage of explosives in magazine is covered under the Explosives Rules, 2008. Distances required to be maintained around explosives magazine is specified in Table 1, Schedule VIII of Explosives Rules, 2008.
- (iii) As per Chief Controller of Explosives, Nagpur's Circular No. C.II(I)77/VII dated 21/01/2013, and Ammonium Nitrate storehouse exceeding 30 metric ton capacity situated near an explosives magazine shall maintain a safety distance of 90 meters or Inside safety distance *i.e.*, distance between magazine to magazine as given in table 1 of Schedule VIII of Explosives Rules, 2008, whichever is higher.

Subsidy for maintaining price stability to tea

1870. DR. E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is continuing the scheme to subsidise, for maintaining price stability to tea due to international competition and market; and