Revival of Ramagundam Fertilizer Plant

2764. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Ramagundam Fertilizer Plant is being revived without funding of Government;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) whether Government has fixed any tentative date to operationalise the Plant;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (RAO INDERJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) Ramagundam unit of Fertilizer Corporation of India (FCIL) is being revived on nomination basis by consortium of PSUs namely Engineers India Limited (EIL), National Fertilizers Limited (NFL) and FCIL by setting up a gas based fertilizer plant of 12.7 LMTPA capacity. The cost of the project is ₹ 5254.38 crore and the project is being funded in the debt 75% (₹3941 crore) is to Equity 25% (₹ 1313 crore) ratio. The equity contribution of EIL and NFL is 26% each, whereas FCIL and Government of Telangana has 11% each. For balance equity tie-up (26%), HTAS Consortium & GAIL Board have approved 11.7% & 14.3% equity participation respectively.

- (c) and (d) The tentative date of commissioning of Ramagundam plant is 31st December, 2018.
 - (e) Question does not arise in view of reply to (c) and (d) above.

Availability of fertilizers to farmers at subsidised rates

2765. SARDAR SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to make fertilizers available to the farmers at subsidised rates throughout the country; and
 - (b) if so, the names of such fertilizers?