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3.	Maharashtra	Drought (K)	4714.28
4.	Rajasthan	Drought (K)	1206.62
5.	Gujarat	Drought (K.)	127.60
6.	Jharkhand	Drought (K)	272.42
TOTAL			9211.68

During-2019-20

1.	Manipur	Drought (K)	34.81
2.	Rajasthan	Drought (K)	230.77
3.	Rajasthan	Pest (Locust) attack	68.65
TOTAL			334.23

(R): Rabi (K): Kharif.

Non-availability of funds in fertilizer sector

1467. SHRI K.P. MUNUSAMY: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the fertilizer industry is facing hardship due to non-availability of funds and several plants have become obsolete;

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to initiate fresh investment in this sector, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the details thereof and steps being taken to make the industry viable?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI D.V. SADANANDA GOWDA): (a) No Sir. There is no such report that fertilizer industry is facing hardship and has become obsolete due to non-availability of funds.

(b) In view of (a) above, the question does not arise. However, under New Investment Policy-2012 and its amendment, Matix Fertilizers and Chemicals Limited (Matix) has set up a Coal Bed Methane (CBM) based Greenfield Ammonia -Urea complex for Urea production at Panagarh, West Bengal. Chambal Fertilizers & Chemicals

Limited (CFCL) has also set up a Brownfield project for Urea production at Gadepan, Rajasthan. The commercial production of CFCL-III started on 1st January, 2019. Further, Government has also decided to revive 4 Urea units at Ramagundam, Sindri, Gorakhpur and Barauni under New Investment Policy-2012.

(c) In view of (a) above, question does not arise.

Assistance to Bulk Drug Industry for Common Facility Centre Scheme

1468. SHRI V. VIJAYA SAI REDDY: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has given final approval for setting up of common facility Centre under "Assistance to Bulk Drug Industry for Common Facility Centre" scheme to Medical Device Industry in the State of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether is it also a fact that an amount of ₹25 crore has been finally approved for Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) if not, the reasons for the delay in releasing the money and by when Government is going to release the same?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI D.V. SADANANDA GOWDA): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Yes Sir.

(c) An amount of ₹ 7.49 crore has been released to AMTZ as 1st instalment (30% of total) of the central assistance.

Revival Plan for Talcher Fertilizers Limited (TFL)

1469. SHRI BHASKAR RAO NEKKANTI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is able to finish the revival plan for Talcher Fertilizers Limited at Angul in Odisha which produces urea based on coal gasification, within a stipulated time;

(b) if so, the amount of urea (fertilizer) that could be made available to farmers during the sowing season; and