

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 979 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 07.12.2021

Demand for Urea

979: SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY:

Will the Minister of **CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is not able to meet the demand of urea in the country and meeting the demand by Government is coming down from 79 per cent in 2018-19 to 69 per cent in 2020-21;
- (b) whether the production of urea in the country is also not substantially picking up and has gone up by just one million metric tons between 2018-19 and 2020-21;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of nano Fertilisers that Government is promoting and how this helps to meet the shortage of urea?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS AND HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE

(SHRI MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

(a): No Sir. Department of Fertilizer has fully met the demand of Urea between 2018-19 to 2020-21 as per the following:

UREA			
YEAR-WISE ALL INDIA POSITION			
Fig. in LMT			
Year	Requirement	Availability	DBT Sales
2018-19	300.04	379.62	320.04
2019-20	335.26	395.16	336.96
2020-21	350.64	406.49	350.51

(b) & (c): Sir, as against the Re-Assessed Capacity (RAC) of 220.24 LMT per annum of 31 Urea manufacturing units operating in 2018-19 to 2020-21, these units produced 238.99 LMT, 244.55 LMT and 246.03 LMT in 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21 respectively.

(d): Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare vide notification dated 24th February, 2021 has notified the specifications of Nano Urea and M/s IFFCO has been allowed to manufacture Nano Urea.

IFFCO has set up the World's first manufacturing facility with a production capacity of 1,50,000 bottles per day (500 ml size) of Nano Urea (Liquid) fertilizers at its Kalol unit in Gujarat and the commercial production has commenced w.e.f 1st August, 2021. As on 27th November, 2021, 1,15,21,789 bottles (500 ml size) of Nano Urea (Liquid) fertilizer have been produced at IFFCO Nano Fertilizer Plant at Kalol.
