

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2425
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21/03/2025

REVIEW OF REGISTERED PESTICIDES USED IN AGRICULTURE

2425. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether Government has reviewed the registered pesticides used in agriculture during 2024 and 2025 till date and banned some of them;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, year-wise;
- (c) the details of pesticides registered for use in agriculture and allowed in the country, State-wise; and
- (d) the details of pesticides not registered for use in agriculture and are still being used in the country, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) to (d): Registration Committee (RC) constituted under section 5 of the Insecticides Act, 1968 (the Act) registers pesticides for use in the country after ensuring the efficacy and safety to prevent risk to human beings or animals and for matters connected therewith. Further, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (DA&FW) periodically reviews the continued use of pesticides either on the basis of report received from the State Governments, suo moto or reports about the pesticides that are banned or restricted in other countries due to toxic concerns or potential harm to human health or the environment. Pesticides which are not registered by RC under the provision of the Act are not allowed for use in agriculture. So far, 359 Technical Grade pesticides and 1007 Formulation Grade pesticides have been registered for use in country and DA&FW has banned 49 pesticide molecules in the country. However, Government has not reviewed the registered pesticides used in the country during 2024 and 2025 (till date). The list of pesticides banned in the country is enclosed at **Annexure-I**.

The list of pesticides banned in the country

Pesticides banned for manufacture, import and use.	
1.	Alachlor
2.	Aldicarb
3.	Aldrin
4.	Benzene Hexachloride
5.	Benomyl
6.	Calcium Cyanide
7.	Carbaryl
8.	Chlorbenzilate
9.	Chlordane
10.	Chlorofenvinphos
11.	Copper Acetoarsenite
12.	Diazinon
13.	Dibromochloropropane (DBCP)
14.	Dichlorovos
15.	Dieldrin
16.	Endosulfron
17.	Endrin
18.	Ethyl Mercury Chloride
19.	Ethyl Parathion
20.	Ethylene Dibromide (EDB)
21.	Fenarimol
22.	Fenthion
23.	Heptachlor
24.	Lindane (Gamma-HCH)
25.	Linuron
26.	Maleic Hydrazide
27.	Menazon
28.	Methoxy Ethyl Mercury Chloride
29.	Methyl Parathion
30.	Metoxuron
31.	Nitrofen
32.	Paraquat Dimethyl Sulphate
33.	Pentachloro Nitrobenzene (PCNB)
34.	Pentachlorophenol
35.	Phenyl Mercury Acetate

36.	Phorate
37.	Phosphamidon
38.	Sodium Cyanide (banned for Insecticidal purpose only)
39.	Sodium Methane Arsonate
40.	Tetradifon
41.	Thiometon
42.	Toxaphene(Camphechlor)
43.	Triazophos
44.	Tridemorph
45.	Trichloro acetic acid (TCA)
46.	Trichlorfon
47.	Dicofol
48.	Dinocap
49.	Methomyl
