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RAJYA SABHA

Statement

No. of employees including officers in each of the units of IDPL

Sl. No.		Total Manpower	VRS optees	not applied for
1.	Rishikesh Plant	2137	2104	33
2.	Hyderabad Plant	2836	2823	13
3.	Gurgaon Plant	538	534	4
4.	Marketing Divn. (RSOs)	541	535	6
5.	Head Office	105	105	—
6.	IDPL (Tamil Nadu) Ltd.	239	237	2
7.	BDOCL Muzaffarpur	196	193	3
TOTAL:		6592	6531	61

Neem mixed fertilizer

1736. SHRI K. KALAVENKATA RAO: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Neem has been proved to be very useful fertilizers and Neem mixed fertilizer has increased crop yields to a large extent;

(b) if so, whether extensive test have been conducted in this regard;

(c) the details of the tests; and

(d) when this Neem mixed Urea would be used on large scale in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHHATRAPAL SINGH): (a) to (d) In most cases (based on multi locational trials), the crop yield increase with Neem mixed fertilizer is marginal and inconsistent. At present, some companies are producing and marketing Neem coated urea/Neem coating agents.