

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 243 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 05.02.2019

243: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR;  
SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN:  
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:  
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:  
SHRI KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

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

- (a) Whether the Government had implemented New Investment Policy, 2012 in urea sector;
- (b) If so, the investment made in urea sector since its inception;
- (c) Whether the Government is having any policy for manufacturing coal based urea since India is having surplus coal at present and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) The quantum of coal based urea produced during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (e) The steps taken/being taken by the Government to encourage second generation bio fuels for setting up of industries ?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING; AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THR MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS

**(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)**

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(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): Under the provision of New Investment Policy (NIP) – 2012 dated 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2013, read with its amendment dated 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2014, Matix Fertilizers & Chemicals Limited (Matix) has set up a Coal Bed Methane (CBM) based Greenfield Ammonia-Urea complex at Panagarh, West Bengal with an estimated investment of Rs 4894 crore. Chambal Fertilizers & Chemicals Limited (CFCL) has also set up a brownfield project at Gadepan, Rajasthan with an estimated investment of Rs 5940 crore.

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(c): There are 8 (eight) Urea manufacturing units ( namely: IFFCO-Phulpur I, IFFCO-Phulpur II, GNVFC-Bharuch, NFL-Bhatinda, NFL-Panipat, NFL-Nangal, SFC-Kota and KFCL-Kanpur) using coal as fuel for power generation in their plants.

(d): The actual production of Urea during the last three years and the current year by the above-mentioned Urea units is as follows:-

Sr. No.	Year	Urea production (in LMT)
1.	2015-16	52.82
2.	2016-17	50.44
3.	2017-18	51.29
4.	2018-19	37.84 (upto December, 18)

(e): As informed by M/o P&NG, in December, 2014, the Government allowed procurement of ethanol produced from other non-food feedstock besides molasses, like cellulosic and lignocelluloses materials including petrochemical route. The Government has also notified National Policy on Bio-fuels – 2018 in June, 2018 to promote Bio-fuels including second generation bio-fuels. These second generation bio-fuels can be produced from lignocellulosic biomass, crop residues, municipal solid waste, etc.

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