

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Urge upon to govt. to set up a fertilizer plant in Sayalgudi of Ramanathapuram District and ensure expansion of the Spinning Mill of NTL.

***SHRI K. NAVASKANI (RAMANATHAPURAM):** Hon. Chairman Sir, Vanakkam. In my Ramanathapuram parliamentary constituency, farmers of Ramanathapuram district, Tiruchuli of Virudhunagar district and Aranthangi of Pudukkottai district do not get adequate quantity of urea and fertilizers for farming activities especially during the months of October and November. Hence, there is a need for additional quantity of fertilizers. Last year, I should mention that there was no timely distribution of fertilizers from the central share.

Moreover I should say Ramanathapuram district is one of the backward districts. I urge upon the Union government should come forward to set up a fertilizer plant in Sayalgudi of Ramanathapuram district. The required raw material for this fertilizer plant can be brought through the Tuticorin port. It can also generate employment opportunities for the people of this district. After due consideration I urge that a fertilizer plant should be set up in Sayalgudi. There should be adequate facilities to enhance the production of urea by the SPIC Urea plant situated in Tuticorin near the Ramanathapuram district. This may ensure adequate supply of Urea in Ramanathapuram district. I urge that a Godown for Urea should be set up in Sayalgudi, which can be used for transportation of urea to the neighbouring districts. In Ramanathapuram, a spinning Mill of National Textiles Limited, is functional in Kamudakkudi Paramakkudi. There is a need for upgradation of this Government of India enterprise. The expansion of this Mill will generate revenue besides providing employment to several thousands of people of this area. I therefore urge upon the Union Government to ensure expansion of this Spinning Mill of NTL.