

Blast at NFCL

7555 SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA RAO VADDE:
Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a blast at the Nagarjuna Fertilizers and Chemicals Limited (NFCL), recently;

(b) if so, the total losses suffered by the unit; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to bring back production to the normal level?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS, AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO)

(a) to (c) There was no blast in the plant of NFCL. However, the company has reported that production of urea in the plant was affected for a period of 5 days during January, 1995 due to the fire at the ONGC rig off the Andhra Pradesh coast; the production loss of urea was about 10,000 MT valued at Rs. 8.50 crores. Gas supply was resumed after 5 days. However, the supply of urea to the farmers was not affected as the company supplied urea from the stocks produced earlier.

Fertilizer Units in Gujarat

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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state.

(a) the amount of subsidy provided to fertilizer units in Gujarat during 1993-94 and 1994-95;

(b) the amount of subsidy proposed to be provided during 1995-96, and

(c) the total production of fertilizers by units in Gujarat during the last three years, year-wise and unit wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS, AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) (a) An amount of Rs. 569.23 crores and Rs. 672.37 crores was paid as subsidy to the various indigenous fertilizer manufacturing units located in Gujarat during 1993-94 and 1994-95, respectively

(b) A provision of Rs. 3750 crores has been made in the Budget for 1995-96 for payment of subsidy on indigenous fertilizers. Out of this, the subsidy to be paid to the units in Gujarat would depend on their levels of production during the year. No state-wise allocation of subsidy is made in the Budget.

(c) The details of production of fertilizers by various units in Gujarat during the last three years are given in the enclosed statement.

STATEMENT

*Unit-wise production of fertilizer nutrients (Nitrogen (N) & Phosphate (P) in Gujarat
During 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95*

Name of the plant		Nutrient	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
1	2	3	4	5	6
(i) Coop. Sector:					
	ifco: Kalol	(N)	155.9	164.5	189.9
	Kandla	(N)	118.6	132.2	145.3
		(P)	308.1	341.4	377.3
	Kribhco: Hazira	(N)	775.8	697.1	674.3
(ii) Private Sector:					
	GSFC: Baroda	(N)	311.5	264.1	268.1
		(P)	74.5	62.9	59.6
	GNFC: Bharuch	(N)	357.6	367.4	382.0
		(P)	30.2	26.6	29.9