

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA**

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REVIVAL OF SICK CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZER UNITS

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

- (a) the number and names of the chemical and fertilizer plants in the country and the number out of them lying closed along with the reasons for their closure, State- wise;
- (b) the policy of the Government for the revival of these plants lying which are lying closed due to lack of modernization of machines;
- (c) the names of the plants proposed to be revived during the current year , State- wise; and
- (d) the scheme formulated for rehabilitation of the employees of these units?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS

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(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.3022 for 14.3.2000 -

Consequent upon the liberalization of the Industrial Policy in 1991, chemical products have been de-licensed with the exception of a few hazardous chemicals. The entrepreneurs are only required to file an Industrial Entrepreneurs Memorandum(IEM) with the Ministry of Industry before taking up the manufacture of chemical products. The number of chemical plants in the country is vast and are spread over the organized sector and the small scale sector. The Central Government does not maintain a State-wise list of chemical plants in the country and of those which are lying closed.

2. No Public Sector Undertaking in the chemical sector is lying closed. However, the Delhi unit of M/s Hindustan Insecticides Limited stopped its operations with effect from 30.11.1996 consequent upon the Orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court. This unit is being relocated to Bhatinda in Punjab where the construction work of pesticide formulation plant is under way.

3. Production at the following plants of Fertilizer Public Sector Undertakings

(PSUs) had to be discontinued for reasons of safety/feedstock limitation or unviability:-

- i) Ammonia-urea at Ramagundam(Andhra Pradesh), Talcher (Orissa) and Gorakhpur (Uttar Pradesh) of Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited (FCI);
- ii) Ammonium Sulphate plant at Namrup-I(Assam) and Ammonia-urea unit at Namrup-II (Assam) of Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Limited (HFC);
- iii) Ammonia-urea units at Barauni (Bihar) and Durgapur (West Bengal) of HFC;
- iv) SSP units at Amjhore(Bihar), Saladipura (Rajasthan) and Rock Phosphate unit at Dehradun (Uttar Pradesh) of Pyrites, Phosphates and Chemicals Limited (PPCL); and
- v) Urea unit at Trombay (Maharashtra) of Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Limited(RCF).

4. The revival of Gorakhpur plant of FCI has not been found techno- ecofriendly feasible. Process is on to enable KRIBHCO to set up a new fertilizer plant at the existing site.

5. Comprehensive rehabilitation proposals for Ramagundam and Talcher units (FCI) Durgapur and Barauni units (HFC) on the basis of unitwise techno-economic viability are to be submitted to the competent authority in the Government and thereafter for final sanction of Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction(BIFR).

6. The Government has approved the revival of Namrup units of HFC at an estimated fresh investment of Rs.350 Crore. Arrangements have also been made for augmenting the supply of natural gas to these units. The Ammonium Sulphate plant of Namrup-I is to be scrapped as it has been found to be unviable and unsafe to operate.

7. The revival of Dehradun, Amjhore and Saladipura units will depend on the decision of the Government on the restructuring of PPCL.

8. The restart of RCF's Trombay-I urea plant requiring major repairs has not been found techno-economically viable and the company

has decided not to operate this plant.

9. Budgetary support has been extended to the sick PSUs towards standing charges comprising salary/wages, preservation, etc. Some of the manpower of these closed sick units is engaged in preservation and record activities. The manpower of the closed units of other PSUs has been redeployed on other activities within the organization. However, the issue of rehabilitation of the employees of the closed units belonging to the sick PSUs will depend on the decision of the Government on the rehabilitation proposals and sanction of BIFR.

10. A list of major fertilizer units functioning at present in the country and the types of chemical fertilizers produced is given at Annexure.

Annexure Details of Major fertilizer units functioning at present in the country and types of chemical fertilizers produced

(A) Major units manufacturing nitrogenous & phosphatic fertilisers

Sl. No.	Name of Plant/Unit	State	Products
Public Sector:			
1	National Fertilizers Ltd.:Nangal-I	Punjab	CAN
2	National Fertilizers Ltd.:Nangal-II	Punjab	Urea
3	National Fertilizers Ltd.:Bhatinda	Punjab	Urea
4	National Fertilizers Ltd.:Panipat	Haryana	Urea
5	National Fertilizers Ltd.:Vijaipur	M.P.	Urea
6	National Fertilizers Ltd.:Vijaipur Expn.	M.P.	Urea
7	Fertilizers & Chemicals Travancore Ltd.: Udyogamandal	Kerala	A/S,20:20,SSP
8	Fertilizers & Chemicals Travancore Ltd.: Cochin-I	Kerala	Urea
9	Fertilizers & Chemicals Travancore Ltd.: Cochin-II	Kerala	DAP,20:20
10	Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Ltd.:Trombay	Maharashtra	Urea,15:15:15
11	Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Ltd.:Trombay-IV	Maharashtra	ANP(20.7:20.7)
12	Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Ltd.:Trombay-V	Maharashtra	Urea
13	Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Ltd.:Thal	Maharashtra	Urea
14	Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Ltd.:Namrup-I	Assam	A/S
15	Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Ltd.:Namrup-II	Assam	Urea
16	Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Ltd.:Namrup-III	Assam	Urea
17	Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Ltd.:Durgapur	W.B.	Urea
18	Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Ltd.:Barauni	Bihar	Urea
19	Fertilizer Corporation of India Ltd.:Sindri	Modern Bihar	A/S, Urea
20	Fertilizer Corporation of India Ltd.:Gorakhpur	U.P.	Urea
21	Fertilizer Corporation of India Ltd.:Ramagundam	A.P.	Urea
22	Fertilizer Corporation of India Ltd.:Talcher	Orissa	Urea
23	Madras Fertilizers Ltd.:Chennai	Tamil Nadu	Urea,17:17:17,19:19:19
24	Steel Authority of India Ltd.:Rourkela	Orissa	CAN
25	Neyveli Lignite Corporation Ltd.:Neyveli	Tamil Nadu	Urea
26	Pradeep Phosphates Ltd.:Paradeep	Orissa	DAP
Cooperative Sector:			
1	Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd.:Kalol	Gujarat	Urea
2	Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd.:Kandla	Gujarat	DAP,10:26:26,12:32:16
3	Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd.:Phulpur	U.P.	Urea
4	Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd.:Phulpur Expn.	U.P.	Urea
5	Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd.:Aonla	U.P.	Urea
6	Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd.:Aonla Expn.	U.P.	Urea
7	Krishak Bharati Cooperative Ltd.:Hazira	Gujarat	Urea
Joint Sector:			
1	Mangalore Chemicals & Fertilizers Ltd.:Mangalore	Karnataka	Urea, DAP
2	Gujarat State Fertilizers Company Ltd.:Vadodara	Gujarat	Urea, DAP, A/S
3	Gujarat State Fertilizers Company Ltd.:Sikka	Gujarat	DAP
4	Southern Petrochemical Industries Corpn. Ltd.:Tuticorin	Tamil Nadu	Urea, DAP
5	Gujarat Narmada Valley Fertilizers Co. Ltd.:Bharauch	Gujarat	Urea, CAN, 23:23
6	Godavari Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd.:Kakinada	A.P.	DAP

Sl. No.	Name of Plant/Unit	State	Products
Private Sector:			
1	Coromandal Fertilizers Ltd.:Vizag	A.P.	28:28,14:35:14,20:20
2	Shriram Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd.:Kota	Rajasthan	Urea
3	Zauri Industries Ltd.:Goa	Goa	Urea,DAP,20:20, 10:26:26,19:19:19
4	Indo Gulf Fertilizers & Chemicals Corpn.:Jagdishpur	U.P.	Urea
5	Hindustan Lever Ltd.: W.B.	DAP	
6	Deepak Fertilizers & Petro Chemicals Corpn.:Taloja	Maharashtra	23:23
7	EID Parry Ltd.:Ennore	Tamil Nadu	16:20
8	Duncans Industries Ltd.:Kanpur	U.P.	Urea
9	Punjab National Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd.:Nangal	Punjab	A/C
10	Tuticorin Alkalines Ltd.:Tuticorin	Tamil Nadu	A/C
11	Nagarjuna Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd.:Kakinada	A.P.	Urea
12	Nagarjuna Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd.:Kakinada Expn.	A.P.	Urea
13	Chambal Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd.:Gadepan	Rajasthan	Urea
14	Chambal Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd.:Gadepan Expn.	Rajasthan	Urea

15 Tata Chemicals Ltd.:Babrula U.P. Urea
16 Oswal Chemicals & Fertilizers Ltd.:Shahjahnpur U.P. Urea
Other units producing Fertilizer as By-Product

Public Sector:

1 Steel Authority of India Ltd.:Rourkela Orissa A/S
2 Steel Authority of India Ltd.:Durgapur W.B. A/S
3 Steel Authority of India Ltd.:Bhilai M.P. A/S
4 Steel Authority of India Ltd.:Bokara Bihar A/S
5 Rashtriya Ispat Nigam:Vizag A.P. A/S

Joint Sector:

1 Gujarat State Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd.:Polymer Unit Gujarat A/S

Private Sector:

1 Tata Iron & Steel Company:Jamshedpur Bihar A/S
2 Cyanides & Chemicals Ltd.: Surat Gujarat A/S