

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:19
ANSWERED ON:02.12.2003
BAN ON DANGEROUS PESTICIDES
RAM JEEVAN SINGH

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

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- (a) whether some pesticides which are banned in various countries of the world because of their dangerous effects continue to be manufactured and use in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the areas in which these pesticides are being used in the country;
- (c) the reasons for not banning the manufacture and use of these pesticides when their scientific analysis in the countries banning their use has found them to be harmful ; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Union Government in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR.CHATTRA PAL SINGH)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.19 TO BE ANSWERED ON 2.12.2003.

(a) to (b) Yes, Sir. 31 pesticides banned in various countries of the world are being used in India. The list of such pesticides is given in Annexure I. These pesticides are used in crops for which they have been recommended by the Registration Committee constituted under Section 5 of the Insecticides Act 1968.

(c) and (d) The banning/restricting of pesticides depend on the agro-climatic conditions and agronomic practices of different countries. Most of these pesticides have been reviewed by the Government of India by constituting Expert Committee which have recommended the continued use of these pesticides. Further, based on the recommendations of such Expert Committees, the Government of India has banned 27 pesticides (List at Annexure II). Details of Expert Committee appointed is at Annexure- III).

In addition the Government has adopted Integrated Pest Management (IPM) encompassing cultural, mechanical and biological methods and need based use of pesticides, as the cardinal principle and main plank of plant protection in the country. The IPM approach lays greater emphasis on use of bio-pesticides and bio-control agents. 26 Central Integrated Pest Management Centers across the country are engaged in imparting training in IPM to farmers. . The Government of India has sanctioned grants-in-aid to States for establishment of 29 State Bio-control Laboratories in various States.