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1.0 Rainfall

1.1 Pre-monsoon season 2018

Rainfall during 1st March to 25th April of pre-monsoon season 2018 was deficient to the extent of about 18% below Long Period Average (LPA). Actual rainfall for the country as a whole was 50.2 mm as against normal of 61.2 mm during the period. Out of 36 meteorological sub-divisions, 20 sub-divisions received normal to excess rains and 16 sub-divisions received deficient rains.

The live storage in 91 major reservoirs as on 26th April, 2018 was 37.11 BCM as against 43.89 BCM on 26th April, 2017 (last year). Current year's storage is 85% of the last year's storage and 90% of the normal storage.

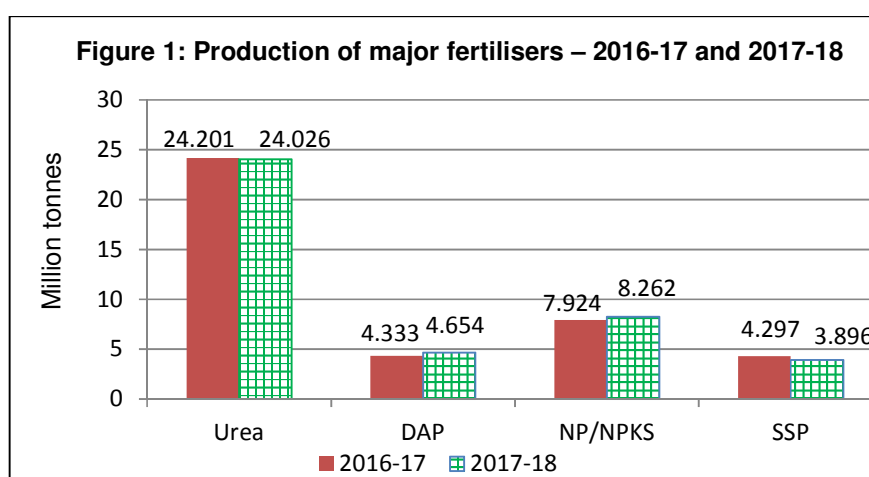
1.2 Prospects of South-west monsoon 2018

According to 1st stage forecasts of India Meteorological Department (IMD) released on 16th April, 2018, quantitatively, rainfall during South-west monsoon 2018 is expected to be normal at 97% of LPA with a model error of 5%. The forecast also suggests maximum probability for normal monsoon rainfall (96-104% of LPA) and low probability for deficient rainfall during the season. As per IMD, the moderate La Nina conditions developed in the equatorial Pacific during last year started weakening in the early part of this year and currently have turned to weak La Nina conditions. IMD will update its 2nd stage forecast in early June 2018.

2.0 Fertiliser Scenario –2017-18 (April/March)

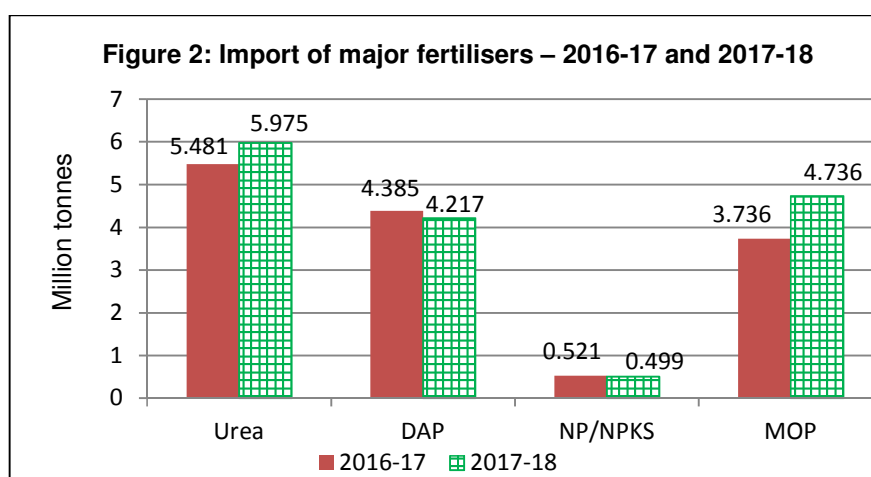
2.1 Production

During 2017-18, among major fertilisers, production of DAP and NP/NPKs recorded increase whereas urea and SSP decreased. Production of DAP at 4.654 million metric tonnes (MMT) and NP/NPKS at 8.262 MMT during 2017-18 increased by 7.4% and 4.3%, respectively, over 2016-17 (April/March). However, the production of urea at 24.026 MMT and SSP at 3.896 MMT fell by 0.7% and 9.3%, respectively, during the same period. **Fig.1** shows estimated production of major fertilisers during 2017-18 as compared to 2016-17.



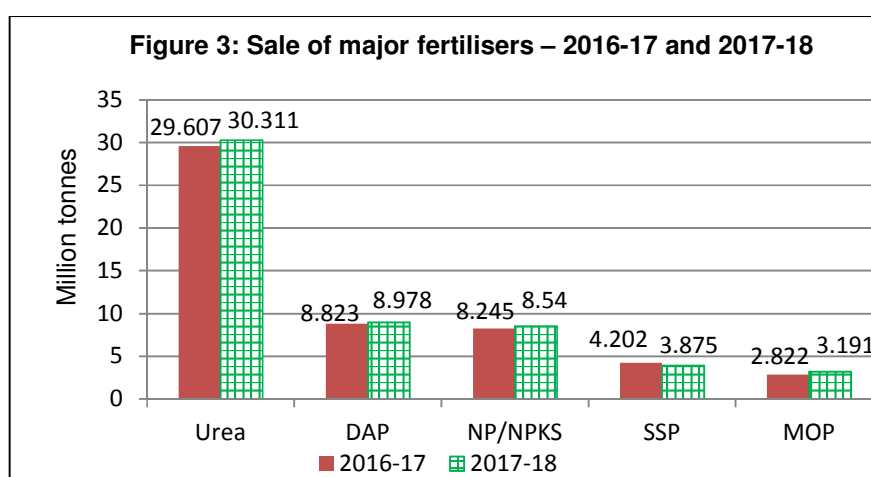
2.2 Import

Import of Urea at 5.975 MMT and MOP at 4.736 MMT during 2017-18 marked increase of 9% and 26.8%, respectively, over the level of 2016-17. However, the import of DAP at 4.217 MMT and NP/NPKs at 0.499 MMT fell by 3.8% and 4.2%, respectively, during the period. **Fig.2** shows import of urea, DAP, NP/NPKs and MOP during 2017-18 as compared to 2016-17.



2.3 Sale

Sale of all major fertilisers (except SSP) showed positive growth during 2017-18 over 2016-17. Sale of Urea at 30.311 million tonnes, DAP at 8.978 million tonnes, NP/NPKs at 8.540 and MOP at 3.191 million tonnes marked increase of 2.4%, 1.8%, 3.6% and 13.1%, respectively, during 2017-18 over 2016-17. However, the sale of SSP fell by 7.8% during the period. **Fig.3** shows estimated sale of major fertilisers during 2017-18 compared to 2016-17.



3.0 Natural Gas availability

Indigenous production of natural gas has been falling over the past 7-year period. Increased demand for gas has been fulfilled through higher imports of LNG. **Table 1** shows trends in production, import and consumption of natural gas during 2011-12 to 2016-17 and April 2017-February 2018.

Table 1: Trends in Natural Gas availability in India							
(in Billion cubic meter)							
Item	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18 (April 2017- Feb. 2018)
Production (Net availability) ¹	46.45	39.75	34.57	32.69	31.13	30.85	29.03
Sale by producing companies ²	41.17	34.35	28.98	26.78	25.30	24.98	
LNG import (Long term, Spot)	17.58	17.33	17.20	18.55	21.39	24.69	23.91
Consumption (Net sale + LNG import)	58.75	51.68	46.19	45.33	46.68	49.68	52.94 ³
¹ = Net availability for consumption which is derived by deducting gas flared and loss from gross production by producing companies. ² = Denotes gas available for sale, which is derived by deducting internal use of gas by producing companies from net availability. ³ = Includes internal use of gas by gas producing companies from net availability.							

4.0 Crop Situation – Rabi 2017-18

As per latest information available on sowing of *Rabi* crops, around 103.1 per cent of the normal area of full *rabi* season has been sown upto 9th February 2018. Area sown under all *rabi* crops taken together has been reported to be 64.29 million hectares (Mha) at All-India level during 1st October to 9th February, 2018 as compared to 64.82 Mha in the corresponding period of last year.

Total area sown under foodgrains was 56.20 million hectares (Mha) which was marginally (0.2%) lower than the corresponding period of the previous year. Area sown under wheat declined by 4.3%, coarse cereals by 1.4%. and total oilseeds by 4.7% during the period. The area under rice and pulses, however, increased 16.7% and 5.3%, respectively, during the period. The progress in coverage under *rabi* crops upto 9th February, 2018 is shown in **Table 2**.

Table 2: All India rabi Crop Situation upto 9th February, 2018

Crop	Normal area for whole rabi season (Mha)	Area sown during rabi (Million hectares)		Increase (+) / Decrease (-)	
		Upto 9-2-2018	Upto 9-2-2017	Area (Mha)	%
Wheat	30.174	30.429	31.788	-1.359	-4.3
Rice	3.653	3.189	3.732	0.457	16.7
Coarse cereals	6.428	5.673	5.754	-0.082	-1.4
Total pulses	13.952	16.910	16.060	0.850	5.3
Total foodgrains	54.207	56.201	56.334	-0.133	-0.2
Total oilseeds	8.147	8.087	8.485	-0.398	-4.7
Total	62.353	64.288	64.819	-0.532	-0.8

Note: Totals may not exactly tally due to rounding of figures.

5.0 Production of foodgrains and commercial crops- 2017-18

Government of India has released second advance estimates of production of foodgrains and other principal crops for 2017-18. Total foodgrains production estimated at 277.49 million tonnes in 2017-18 is expected to increase by 0.9% over 2016-17. Increase in production is attributed to rise in production of rice, coarse cereals and pulses while wheat may see a marginal fall in production. Production of sugarcane and cotton may increase whereas oilseeds and jute & mesta may witness a fall in production. **Table 3** shows details of production of principal crops in 2017-18 and compares with 2016-17.

Table 3: Production of principal crops in 2017-18 and 2016-17

Crop	2016-17 (Final est.)	2017-18 (2 nd Advance est.)	Increase (+)/ decrease (-)	
			Quantity	%
Rice	109.70	111.01	1.31	1.2%
Wheat	98.51	97.11	-1.40	-1.4%
Coarse cereals	43.77	45.42	1.65	3.8%
Pulses	23.13	23.95	0.82	3.5%
Total foodgrains	275.11	277.49	2.38	0.9%
Total oilseeds	31.28	29.88	-1.39	-4.5%
Sugarcane	306.07	353.23	47.16	15.4%
Cotton #	32.58	33.92	1.34	4.1%
Jute & mesta \$	10.96	10.51	-0.46	-4.2%

= Million bales of 170 kg each. \$ = Million bales of 180 kg each.

6.0 Policy Developments

6.1 Rationalising the size of urea bag and matter connected thereto

Government issued a notification in September 2017 giving approval to replace existing 50 kg bag of urea to 45 kg bag of urea. A period of six months was given as a lead time to ensure smooth implementation of the policy. Subsequently, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare notified price per bag of 45 kg on 1st March 2018. Further, a period of two months' extension from the date of notification of MRP of 45 kg bag of urea has been given as lead time to implement the introduction of 45 kg bag of urea. A copy of the DoF letter dated 9th March, 2018 regarding extension of period and gazette notification regarding retail price of 45 kg bag of urea are enclosed as *Annex I*.

6.2 Domestic natural gas price – April-September 2018

Domestic natural gas prices have been consistently falling from second half of 2014-15 until first half of 2017-18. It declined successively from US\$ 5.05 per MMBTU during November'14 / March'15 to US\$ 2.48 per MMBTU during April/Sept'17. However, it has increased to US\$ 3.06 per MMBTU during the period April-September 2018. **Table 4** shows changes in domestic gas prices from November 2014 after New Domestic Natural Gas Pricing Guidelines, 2014 was issued.

Period	Price in US\$ per MMBTU
November 2014 to March 2015	5.05
April 2015 to September 2015	4.66
October 2015 to March 2016	3.82
April 2016 to September 2016	3.06
October 2016 to March 2017	2.50
April 2017 to September 2017	2.48
October 2017 to March 2018	2.89
April 2018 to September 2018	3.06

However, the availability of natural gas from domestic sources has been going down progressively over the years. Currently, only 40% of the total requirement of gas for fertiliser manufacture is available from domestic sources and balance 60% is fulfilled from imported LNG. Imported LNG is costlier than domestic gas. Hence, current pooled price of gas from all sources is above US\$ 10 per million BTU.

6.3 Revision of energy norms under New Urea Policy (NUP)-2015

Department of Fertilizers, Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers issued a notification of 28th March, 2018 regarding revision of energy norms under new urea policy-2015. The following decision has been taken with regard to target energy norms which were given to all urea manufacturing units (except BVFCL):

- (i) For 11 urea manufacturing units, the target energy consumption norms as mentioned in Para 3.2 of NUP-2015, will come into force w.e.f. 1st April, 2018

- (ii) For remaining 14 urea manufacturing units, the target period have been extended for 2 years i.e. till 31st March, 2020. Penalty will be levied equivalent to 2% energy of difference between NUP Energy norms and Target Energy norms of NUP 2015 for the first year, i.e.,2018-19 and 5% for 2nd year i.e. 2019-20.
- (iii) The aforesaid target energy norms may be continued upto 31st March, 2025.
- (iv) The three naphtha based urea units are also allowed the existing energy norms for another two years i.e. till 31st March, 2020 or till these units get the gas pipeline connectivity, whichever is earlier.

A copy of notification in this regard is enclosed as **Annex II**.

6.4 Revision of dealer/ distribution margin in respect of urea sale effected through private agencies and institutional agencies w.e.f. 1st April, 2018

Department of Fertilizers, Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers issued a notification of 28th March, 2018 regarding revision of dealer/ distribution margin in respect of urea sale effected through private agencies and institutional agencies w.e.f. 1st April, 2018. The revised rate of dealer/ distribution margin has been fixed at Rs. 354 per MT w.e.f. 1st April, 2018 for sale of urea (indigenous and imported) through private trade as well as institutional agencies. It is to be noted that the dealer/ distribution margin will be paid to the dealer on the quantity sold through POS devices only. A copy of the notification is enclosed as **Annex III**.

6.5 Implementation of Nutrient Based Subsidy for P & K Fertilisers, revision in the NBS rates for 2018-19 and other issues

The Department of Fertilizers (DoF), Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers issued an O.M. on 16th April, 2018 notifying the nutrient based subsidy rates for 2018-19. The rates of NBS per kg of nutrient for 2018-19 compared with 2017-18 are given below.

Nutrient	NBS (Rs. per kg of nutrient)		Increase/Decrease (Rs/kg of nutrient)
	2017-18	2018-19	
N	18.989	18.901	-0.088
P	11.997	15.216	3.219
K	12.395	11.124	-1.271
S	2.240	2.722	0.482

Accordingly, the per MT subsidy rates for DAP, MOP and SSP for 2018-19 compared with 2017-18 are given in the following table.

Fertiliser	NBS (Rs. per tonne of product)		Increase/Decrease (Rs/tonne of product)
	2017-18	2018-19	
DAP	8937	10402	1465
MOP	7437	6674	-763
SSP	2166	2734	568

The per MT subsidy rates of NP/NPK fertilisers have changed according to nutrient content in various grades. Per tonne additional subsidy for fortified fertilisers with Boron continued at Rs. 300 and Zinc Rs. 500. A copy of the O.M. showing NBS rates for all P & K fertilisers for 2018-19 is enclosed as **Annex IV**.

6.6 Continuation of NBS and City Compost Scheme beyond 12th Five Year Plan till 2019-20

The Department of Fertilizers (DoF), Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers issued an O.M. on 16th April, 2018 notifying that Government has continued the NBS and City Compost Scheme during the period 2017-18 to 2019-20 at a total cost of Rs. 61,792 crores or subsidy expenditure for the scheme on actual basis since national rollout of DBT entails 100% payment of subsidy to fertiliser companies on sale of fertilizers to farmers at subsidized rates. A copy of O.M. is enclosed as **Annex V**.

6.7 Continuation of ongoing urea subsidy scheme beyond 12th Five Year Plan

The Department of Fertilizers (DoF), Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers notified on 17th April, 2018 that Government has decided to continue the Urea Subsidy Scheme from 2017-18 to 2019-20 at a total cost of Rs. 1,64,935 crores or subsidy expenditure for the scheme on actual basis since national rollout of DBT entails 100% payment of subsidy to fertiliser companies on sale of fertilizers to farmers at subsidized rates. A copy of O.M. is enclosed as **Annex VI**.

Annex I

No. 12012/20/2007-FPP
Department of Fertilizers
Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
Department of Fertilizers

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
New Delhi, the 9th March, 2018

To

CMD/MDs
RCF/MFL/BVFCL/NFL/KRIBHCO/KFL/IFFCO/GSFC/GNVFC/SFC/NFCL/
CFCL/YARA/ZACL/SPIC/MCFL/KFCL/GIL

Subject: Rationalising the size of urea bag and matter connected thereto.

I am directed to refer this Department's letter of even number dated 4th September, 2017 on the above mentioned subject wherein the approval of the Government to introduce 45 Kg bag of urea replacing the existing 50 Kg bag was conveyed and a period of 6 months was given as lead time to ensure the smooth implementation of the said policy. The MRP of 45 Kg bag of Urea was to be notified by Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare(DAC&FW).

2. DAC&FW has now notified the MRP of 45 Kg bag of Urea vide its Notification dated 01st March, 2018, a copy of which is enclosed herewith for reference. It is now informed that with the approval of CCEA, a period of 2 months from date of notification of MRP of 45 Kg bag of Urea is given as lead time to implement the introduction of 45 Kg bag of Urea.

Yours sincerely,

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Encl: As above.

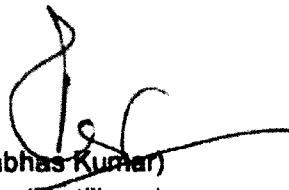
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2. Joint Secretary (INM), Department of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Krishi Bhawan, new Delhi.
3. Principal Director of Audit, Economic & Service Ministry, AGCR Building, I.P.Estates, New Delhi.
4. Controller of Accounts, Department of Fertilizers, Janpath Bhawan, New Delhi.

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5. Director General, Fertilizer Association of India, 10 Shaheed Jit Singh Marg, New Delhi-110067.
6. Director of Accounts, Fertilizer Accounts Wing, Department of Fertilizers, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi.
7. Pay & Accounts Officer, Department of Fertilizers, Janpath Bhawan, New Delhi.
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9. Director (CE), FICC, 8th Floor, Sewa Bhawan, New Delhi - 110066 (with three spare copies).
10. Fin-II Desk, Department of Fertilizers.
11. Assistant Director (OL) with a request to make available Hindi Version of the Notification.
12. Joint Director (Shipping), DoF.
13. NIC – for uploading on DoF's website.
14. Guard File.


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का.सं. 900(ख).—केन्द्रीय सरकार, उर्वरक (नियंत्रण) अधिनियम, 1965 के खंड 3 के उपखंड (1) के अनुसरण में और भारत सरकार के कृषि मंत्रालय (कृषि और सहकारिता विभाग) की अधिसूचना संख्या का.सं. 2663(ख), तारीख 31 मई, 2012 (जिसे इनमें इनके पश्चात् उक्त अधिसूचना कदा कदा है) को उन बातों के निवारण अधिकांत करते हुए, जिन्हें ऐसे अधिकतम से पहले किया गया है या करने का लोच किया गया है, इनके उपाखंड अनुसूची के स्तम्भ (4) में विनिर्दिष्ट कीमत को, स्तम्भ (3) में विनिर्दिष्ट प्रकार के प्रति बने के लिए, इस अधिसूचना को जारी करने की तारीख से, ऐसी अधिकतम कीमत के रूप में निश्चित करती है, जिस पर उक्त अनुसूची के स्तम्भ (2) में कीमत वाली प्रविष्टि में विनिर्दिष्ट उर्वरकों का, चाद, कचरी या रबर बाधानों के उपाधे बानों या क्षेत्रों को डीजल, विनिर्माता आयातक या पून इंटरलिंग अधिकरण द्वारा विक्रय किया जाएगा :-

अनुसूची

क्रम सं.	उर्वरक का नाम	बने का प्रकार	प्रति बने अधिकतम कीमत (रुपयों में)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1.	दुग्धिया (46% नाइट्रोजन)	45 किलोग्राम	242/- रुपए
2.	त्रिकेंद्र दुग्धिया	45 किलोग्राम	266/- रुपए

सूचीकरण 1 :- उपर निम्न अधिकतम कीमत में केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क, केन्द्रीय कर, एकीकृत कर, संघ राज्यक्षेत्र कर या प्रतिपादन शुल्क, राज्य कर और अन्य स्थानीय कर, जहां कहीं भी उल्लिखित किए जाते हैं, चाहे कुछा विक्रय बिंदु या किसी मध्यवर्ती स्तर पर, सम्मिलित नहीं हैं।

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स्पष्टीकरण 2 :-बड़ा किमी उर्वरक का विक्रम, 25 किलोग्राम से अधिक मात्राओं में किया जाता है, बड़ा डीजर उर्वरक के छोटे बैगों पर अनुसूची के स्तम्भ (3) में विनिर्दिष्ट कीमत के अतिरिक्त निम्नलिखित राशि प्रचारित कर लेंगे, अर्थात् :-

- (क) 2 किलोग्राम की पैकिंग पर 1.50 रुपए प्रति पैकिंग;
- (ख) 5 किलोग्राम की पैकिंग पर 2.25 रुपए प्रति पैकिंग;
- (ग) 10 किलोग्राम की पैकिंग पर 3.50 रुपए प्रति पैकिंग; और
- (घ) 25 किलोग्राम की पैकिंग पर 5.00 रुपए प्रति पैकिंग।

(2) 50 किलोग्राम के बैग, बरि फोर्ड हो, का विक्रम डीजर, विनिर्माता, आयातक और पून हैंडलिंग अधिकरण द्वारा उक्त अधिसूचना की अनुसूची में निम्न कीमत पर किया जाएगा, जिसमें ऊपर स्पष्टीकरण 1 में विनिर्दिष्ट कर सम्मिलित नहीं है।

(3) इस अधिसूचना के प्रवृत्त होने के पश्चात् उक्त अधिसूचना की अनुसूची में निर्धारित कीमत पर प्राप्त उर्वरक के विक्रम न किए गए स्टॉक को विनिर्माता और पून हैंडलिंग अधिकरण, चाहे वे सरकारी, प्राइवेट या सहकारी सेक्टर में हों (जिनके अंतर्गत राज्य कृषि उद्योग निगम, शीर्षम्व सहकारी विपणन मंच और अन्य सम्बन्धित अधिकरण भी हैं) से जिन किसी शोक का मुहरा ज्वाहरी द्वारा उक्त अधिसूचना के अधीन निम्न अधिकतम कीमत से अधिकतम कीमत पर विक्रम नहीं किया जाएगा।

[फा. सं. 3-12/2017-उ.वि.]

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ORDER

New Delhi, the 1st March, 2018

S.O. 909(E).—In pursuance of sub-clause (1) of clause 3 of the Fertilizer (Control) Order, 1985 and in supersession of the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Agriculture (Department of Agriculture and Cooperation) number S.O. 2663 (E) dated the 31st October, 2012 (hereinafter referred to as the said notification), except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the Central Government hereby fixes, with effect from the date of issue of this notification, the prices specified in column (4) of the Schedule annexed hereto as the maximum price per bag of size specification in column (3) at which the fertilizers specified in the corresponding entries in column (2) of the said Schedule shall be sold by a dealer, manufacturer, importer or a pool handling agency to the growers of tea, coffee or rubber plantations or to the cultivators:-

SCHEDULE

S.No.	Name of fertiliser	Bag size	Maximum price per bag (net in Rupees)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1.	Urea (46% N)	45 kg.	Rs. 242/-
2.	Zincated Urea	45 kg.	Rs. 266/-

Explanation 1.- The maximum price fixed above shall be exclusive of the central excise duty, Central Tax, Integrated Tax, Union Territory Tax or Countervailing Duty, the state tax and other local taxes wherever levied, whether at the retail sales point or at an intermediate stages.

Explanation II : Where the sale of any fertiliser is made in quantities not exceeding 25 kilograms, the dealer may charge the following amount on small fertiliser bags in addition to the price specified in the Schedule namely:-

- (a) On packing of 2 kg. Rs. 1.50 per packing;
- (b) On packing of 5 kg. Rs. 2.25 per packing.
- (c) On packing of 10 kg. Rs. 3.50 per packing; and
- (d) On packing of 25 kg. Rs. 5.00 per packing.

(2) The 50 kg. bag, if any, shall be sold by a dealer, manufacturer, importer and a pool handling agency at the price fixed in the Schedule to the said notification which shall be exclusive of taxes specified in Explanation I above.

(3) After the coming into force of this notification, the unsold stocks of fertiliser procured at the price fixed in the Schedule to the said notification, by any wholesale or retail dealer other than the manufacturer and pool handling agent, whether in the Government, private or cooperative sector (including the State Agro-Industries Corporations, Apex Cooperative Marketing Federations and other institutional agencies), shall be sold at the price not exceeding the maximum price fixed under the said notification.

[F.No. 3-12/2017 Fert. Law]

UPMA SRIVASTAVA, Addl. Secy.

No 12012/1/2015-FPP
Government of India
Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers
Department of Fertilizers

New Delhi,
Dated the 28th March, 2018

To

CMD/MDs

RCF/MFL/NFL/KRIBHCO/IFFCO/GSFC/GNVFC/SFC/NFCL/CFCL/YFIL/ZACL
/GIL/SPIC/KFL/MCFL/KFCL

All Urea Manufacturing Units.

Subject Revision of Energy Norms under New Urea Policy (NUP) – 2015.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Department's letter No 12012/1/2015-FPP dated 25th May, 2015 regarding implementation of New Urea Policy (NUP) – 2015 and letter No 12018/4/2014-FPP dated 17th June, 2015 regarding continuation of production of Urea by MFL, MCFL & SPIC using Naphtha as feedstock till connectivity of gas pipeline is obtained and to convey the approval on the following decisions with regard to Target Energy Norms given to all urea manufacturing units (except BVFCL):

(i) For 11 urea manufacturing units viz., YFIL, NFL-Vijaipur-II, GIL, CFCL-Gadepan-I & II, IFFCO-Aonla-II, RCF-Thal, IFFCO-Kalol, IFFCO-Aonla-I, IFFCO-Phulpur-I & II, the target energy consumption norms as mentioned in Para 3.2 of NUP – 2015, will come into force w.e.f. 1st April, 2018.

(ii) The existing norms under New Urea Policy-2015 for remaining 14 urea manufacturing units viz., NFL Vijaipur-I, KRIBHCO-Hazira, KFL-Shahjahanpur, NFCL- Kakinada-I, NFCL-Kakinada-II,GNFC-Bharuch, GSFC-Vadodara, NFL-Bathinda, NFL-Nangal, NFL-Panipat, SFC-Kota, KFCL-Kanpur, RCF Trombay-V, ZACL-Goa are hereby extended for further period of 2 years i.e. till 31st March, 2020 with the following penalties:

(a) Penalty equivalent to 2% energy of difference between NUP Energy norms and Target Energy norms of NUP-2015, for the first year i.e. 2018-19.

(b) Penalty equivalent to 5% energy of difference between NUP Energy norms and Target Energy norms of NUP-2015, for the second year i.e. 2019-20.

(c) Urea manufacturing units must achieve Target Energy Norms during the extended period of 2018-19 to 2019-20 failing which additional penalties may be imposed on defaulting units in consultation with the Department of Expenditure.

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(iii) The aforesaid target energy norms may be continued upto 31st March, 2025. Meanwhile, an expert body under NITI Aayog would be engaged to recommend the energy norms to be achieved from 01st April, 2025.

(iv) The three Naphtha based urea units viz., MFL, MCFL, SPIC are also allowed the existing energy norms under Para (2) of policy notification dated 17th June, 2015 for another two years i.e. till 31st March, 2020 or till these units get the gas pipeline connectivity, whichever is earlier. There will be no mopping up of energy efficiency for a fix period of 5 years from date of gas pipeline connectivity as per Para 3 (viii) and 5 (ii) of NPS-III policy dated 8th March, 2007.

Yours' faithfully,


(Dharam Patil)
Additional Secretary to Government of India
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Copy to:

The Executive Director
Fertilizer Industry Coordination Committee
8th Floor, Sewa Bhawan, R.K.Puram, New Delhi

**No.12012/6/2016-FPP
Government of India
Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers
Department of Fertilizers**

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi,
Dated the 28th March, 2018

To

CMD/MD/Head of all Urea manufacturing units

Sir/Madam,

Subject: Revision of Dealer/Distribution Margin in respect of Urea sale effected through Private Agencies and Institutional Agencies w.e.f. 01st April, 2018.

The issue of revision of rates of Dealer/Distribution Margin for sale of Urea both indigenous as well as imported which were last revised vide Notification No.12012/10/99-FPP-II dated 18th June, 1999, has been under consideration of the Government for quite some time. I am directed to state that it has been decided to revise the Dealer/Distribution Margin to the rate of Rs.354/MT of urea w.e.f. 01st April, 2018 for sale of Urea through Private Trade as well as Institutional Agencies.

2. It is to be noted that the Dealer/Distribution margin will be paid to the Dealers on the quantity sold through POS devices only.
3. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.


(Sunita Bansal)

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6. Department of Agriculture & Cooperative, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.

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4. Director(FA)

No. 23011/12/2017-MPR
(भारत सरकार)
Government of India
(ऊर्वरक विभाग)
Department of Fertilizers

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 16 April, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Implementation of the Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) policy for Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) Fertilizers, revision in the NBS Rates for 2018 - 19 and other issues.

The undersigned is directed to convey that per Kg subsidy on nutrients, namely Nitrogen (N), Phosphate (P), Potash (K) and Sulphur (S) contained in P&K fertilizers covered under NBS Policy for the year 2018-19 applicable from 01st April 2018 shall be as under:

S. No	Nutrients	NBS (Rs. per Kg of Nutrient)
1	N	18.901
2	P	15.216
3	K	11.124
4	S	2.722

2. The per MT subsidy on various grades of P&K fertilizers covered under FCO and NBS Policy for 2018-19 applicable from 01st April, 2018 shall be as under: -

S. No	Name of fertilizers	NBS Rates for 2018-19
1	DAP : 18-46-0-0	10402
2	MOP : 0-0-60-0	6674
3	SSP: 0-16-0-11	2734
4	NPS 20-20-0-13	7177
5	NPK 10-26-26-0	8739
6	NP 20-20-0-0	6823
7	NPK 15-15-15	6786
8	NP 24-24-0-0	8188
9	AS: 20.5-0-0-23	4501
10	NP 28-28-0-0	9553
11	NPK 17-17-17	7691
12	NPK 19-19-19	8596
13	NPK 16-16-16-0	7239
14	NPS 16-20-0-13	6421
15	NPK 14-35-14	9529
16	NPS 24-24-0-8*	8188
17	MAP : 11-52-0-0	9991
18	TSP : 0-46-0-0	6999
19	NPK 12-32-16	8917
20	NPK 14-28-14	8464
21	NPKS 15-15-15-09	7031

* Subsidy on Sulphur not included

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3. Any variant of the subsidised P&K fertilizers covered under NBS Policy and are fortified/coated with Boron and Zinc, as provided for under FCO, will continue to be eligible for subsidy. Such fortified/coated grades of fertilizers will attract an additional per tonne subsidy to encourage their application along with primary nutrients as per the rates mentioned below:

S.No	Nutrients for fortification as per FCO	Additional subsidy (Rs/MT) for fortified/coated fertilizers
1	Boron (B)	300
2	Zinc (Zn)	500

4. In order to examine the reasonableness of MRPs of P&K fertilizers, the companies shall continue to submit the certified cost data as per the requirement and directions of DOF from time to time. The companies shall also report MRPs of P&K fertilizers regularly to DOF.

5. The fertilizer companies are required to print Maximum Retail Price (MRP) along with applicable subsidy on the fertilizer bags clearly. Any sale above the printed MRP will be punishable under the EC Act.

6. The distribution and movement of fertilizers along with import of finished fertilizers, fertilizer inputs and production by indigenous units will continue to be monitored through the online web based "Integrated Fertilizer Monitoring System (iFMS) (Erstwhile FMS and mFMS).

7. Manufacturers/Marketers/Importers of P&K fertilizers, including manufacturers of SSP, are required to ensure that fertilizers are transported up to the retail point on F.O.R delivery basis.

8. Manufacturers of customized fertilizers and mixture fertilizers will be eligible to source subsidized P&K fertilizers from the manufacturers/importers after their receipt in the districts as inputs for manufacturing customized fertilizers and mixture fertilizers for agricultural purpose. There would be no separate subsidy on sale of customized fertilizers and mixture fertilizers.

9. The payment of subsidy to the manufacturers/importers of P&K fertilizers shall be released as per the procedure and terms and conditions mentioned in the Department Notification No. D(FA)/ CCEA/2011 dated 25.10.2012 and D(FA)/2016/DBT dated 17.03.2017, as amended from time to time.

10. The benefits to the manufacturers of P&K fertilizers on account of use of cheaper domestic gas, if any, shall be mopped up for which separate guidelines shall be issued.

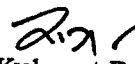
11. The Government has ex-post facto approved the subsidy paid on specific quantity of P&K fertilizers received in the district during February & March months in different years since 2012-13 at the rates fixed for the next financial year which were lower than the rates approved by Cabinet/CCEA for that year.

12. The Government has authorized the Department of Fertilizers for releasing subsidy, if required, as per the rates fixed for the financial year or of the next financial year whichever is lower on the specific category/quantity of P&K fertilizers received in district during February & March months of the year in consultation with Department of Expenditure.

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13. This issues with the concurrence of IFD vide diary No.900 dated 12.04.18 and approval of the competent authority.


(Kulwant Rana)
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4. Secretary, Min. of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
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11. Director (Fertilizer Subsidy), Department of Fertilizers, New Delhi.
12. Dir (Finance)/DS (Budget), Department of Fertilizers, New Delhi.
13. Director (Movement)/Director (F), Dept. of Fertilizers, New Delhi.
14. Director General, FAI, New Delhi.
15. All Urea Manufacturers and P&K Fertilizer Manufacturers & importers.

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No. 15011/90/2008-MPR
(भारत सरकार)
Government of India
(ऊर्वरक विभाग)
Department of Fertilizers


Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 16th April, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Continuation of Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) and City Compost Scheme beyond 12th Five Year plan till 2019-20.

The undersigned is directed to convey that the Government has continued the Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) and City Compost Scheme during the period 2017-18 to 2019-20 at a total cost of Rs. 61792 crores or subsidy expenditure for the scheme on actual basis since national rollout of DBT entails 100% payment of subsidy to fertilizer companies on sale of fertilizers to farmers at subsidized rates.

2. This issues with the concurrence of IFD vide diary No.899 dated 11.04.18 and approval of the competent authority.


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**No.12019/20/2015-FPP
Government of India
Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers
Department of Fertilizers**

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi,
Dated the 17 April, 2018

To
The Executive Director,
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8th Floor, Sewa Bhawan,
New Delhi.

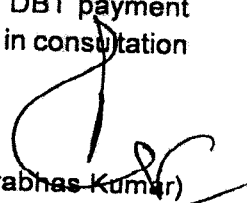
Subject: Continuation of ongoing urea subsidy scheme beyond 12th Five-year plan – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to state that with the approval of the competent authority, it has been decided to continue the Urea Subsidy Scheme from 2017-18 to 2019-20 at a total estimated cost of Rs. 1,64,935 Crore or subsidy expenditure for the scheme on actual basis since national roll out of DBT entails 100 % payment to fertilizer companies on sale of fertilizers to farmers at subsidized rates.

2. It has also been decided to implement the Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) for disbursement of fertilizer subsidy and the modified procedure for release of fertilizer subsidy with the introduction of DBT system as approved by Ministry of Finance vide letter no. 06(04)/PF-II/2016 dated 08.03.2017 and issued vide letter no. D(FA)/2016/DBT dated 17th March, 2017.

3. Further, in case any further modification is required in the DBT payment procedure, Department of Fertilizers will make necessary changes in consultation with the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance.



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4. Director General, Fertilizer Association of India, 10 Shaheed Jit Singh Marg, New Delhi-110067.
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