

CAMPAIGN FOR ENSURING QUALITY OF FERTILIZERS

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Government of India has issued instructions/directives to States to launch a campaign to ensure the quality of fertilizers. The objective of the campaign is to ensure available quality inputs to the farmers in adequate quantity. The Government supplies adequate quantities of fertilizer to the States/UTs based on the assessment conducted by Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare. It is the responsibility of the States to ensure that adequate fertilizers are available to farmers at the right place and at the location where it is required.

The Fertilizers Control Order (FCO), 1985 strictly prohibits the manufacture /import/sale of any fertiliser which are not of the prescribed standards. State Governments are empowered under FCO to take strict legal action against the offenders. State Governments are regularly monitoring the manufacture and sale of fertilizers, through inspections and sample collection, to check spurious and substandard products.

The Government is regularly monitoring the enforcement action taken by State Governments. During the period April, 2025 to 25th July, 2025, numerous raids have been conducted across the country with 5,302 show cause notices issued, 2,172 licenses suspended/cancelled and 170 FIRs registered against defaulters.

This information was given by Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Shri Ramnath Thakur in a written reply in Rajya Sabha today.

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