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Government of India  
Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers  
Department of Fertilizers

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi  
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To

Directors (Agriculture),  
All the State Governments/Union Territories  
All manufacturers of SSP covered under Concession Scheme.

**Subject :** Request to the State Governments to ensure the sale of SSP/fertilizers of the quality as laid down under the FCO.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Department's letter No. 22011/4/2007-MPR (Vol.III) dated 11.5.2009 requesting the State Governments to take measures in order to ensure the production and sale of SSP in the States, of the quality of the standards as laid down under the FCO.

2. Some of the SSP manufacturers are selling their product in the States through the dealers network of the other fertilizers companies i.e. the marketers with the approval of the Department of Fertilizers under the Concession Scheme for decontrolled P & K fertilizers. Accordingly, they are claiming payment of concession from Department of Fertilizers under the above said scheme. The marketers are also responsible for maintaining the quality of SSP marketed by them, as per the permissions granted by Department of Fertilizers.
3. Representations have been received by Department of Fertilizers from the farmers complaining quality of the SSP marketed by fertilizer companies/marketers. The matter has been examined in the Department and it has been decided that the marketers of the fertilizers be held responsible for the quality of fertilizer sold to the farmers.
4. To ensure the quality of the production and sale of fertilizer in the market is the responsibility of the State Governments under the FCO. It is accordingly reiterated and requested to the State Governments to take stringent legal measures to ensure the supply of the fertilizer/SSP sold through the marketers also.

Yours faithfully

  
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