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Department of Fertilizers  
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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi  
Dated: 30 April, 2020

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject : Monthly Summary to the Cabinet for the month of March 2020-reg.**

The undersigned is directed to circulate herewith the Monthly Summary pertaining to the Department of Fertilizers for the month of March 2020, for information.

This issues with the approval of competent authority.



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To,

1. All members of Council of Ministers

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**Subject : Monthly Summary of Dept. of Fertilizers for the month of March 2020.**

**1. Overall production performance during the month :**

Product Name	(Fig. in 'LMT')	
	Production during the month	Cumulative production upto the month
Urea	19.33	244.55
DAP	3.65	45.50
Ammonium Sulphate (A/S)	0.56	6.73
Complex Fertilizers	5.58	86.61
Single Super Phosphate	2.65	42.53

Source mfms.nic.in as on 15.04.2020

**2. Assessed Requirement, Availability and Sales of fertilizers during the month :**

Product Name	Assessed Requirement	(Fig. in 'LMT')	
		Availability	Sales
Urea	13.53	73.92	15.58
DAP	4.69	39.60	3.84
MOP	2.14	13.53	1.95
Complex	7.52	45.33	5.79

Source of data is Dashboard as on 11.04.2020

**3. Details of Imported Finished Fertilizers during the month:**

Product Name	Quantity in 'LMT'
Urea	0.44
MOP for Agriculture use	0.00
DAP	0.44
NPK	0.00

**4. Progress of revival of closed units of FCIL/HFCL during March, 2020.**

**(A). REVIVAL OF RAMAGUNDAM UNIT:**

**i. About the project:**

Cabinet in its meeting held on 04.08.2011 approved revival of Ramagundam unit of FCIL through nomination basis by forming a Joint Venture of nominated PSUs by setting up gas based fertilizer plants of 1.27 MMTPA capacity. Accordingly, a JV company was incorporated as Ramagundam Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. (RFCL). Equity of NFL & EIL is 26% each and FCIL's 11%. In addition, State Govt. of Telangana has equity of 11%, GAIL -14.3% and HTAS Consortium- 11.7% equity in RFCL. The project activities are closely monitored by Department of Fertilizers (DoF) through monthly review meetings being held under the chairmanship of Secretary (Fertilizers). The last such review meeting was held on 20.03.2020.

**ii. Incremental Progress:**

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| a) Overall progress upto February, 2020 is   | 99.5% |
| b) Incremental progress during March 2020 is   | 0%    |
| c) Overall progress upto 15 <sup>th</sup> March, 2020 is                                     | 99.5% |
| d) Now, pre-commissioning activities for scheduled commercial production are under progress. |       |

**iii. Major Landmark achieved -:**

- Steam Flushing of the plant started on 16.01.2020 with Utility Boiler, about 85% flushing completed.
  - Gas Turbine Generator (GTG) – Full speed no load test completed. Permission from Transco obtained. Load run test will be done after meeting connectivity requirements of TS Transco.
  - Heat Recovery Steam Generator (HRSG) – IBR test conducted on 24.02.2020. Steam out from HRSG is expected by end-March'2020.
  - **Ammonia Plant :**
    - CO<sub>2</sub> flushing started on 22.02.2020 and this activity will take 10-12 weeks. Water circulation under hold due to non-availability of parts for the pump. EIL to expedite.
    - Process Air Compressor (PAC) – solo run planned on 24.03.2020. Target blowing under progress.
    - Before lockdown, EIL had committed to handover all compressors by 31.03.20. Thereafter pre-commissioning / commissioning activities will begin..
    - Primary Reformer feed in by 3<sup>rd</sup> week of May'2020 based on Mechanical Completion of Ammonia by 15.04.2020 and Urea plant by 30.04.2020.
  - **Urea Plant :**
    - Before lockdown, EIL had committed handover the plant by 30.04.2020. Thereafter commissioning activities will take 6-7 week's time followed by urea production.
- iv. With announcement of the nationwide lockdown announced by the Gol, all the Project works, including residual construction, pre-commissioning and commissioning are put on hold w.e.f. 22.03.2020.

**(B). REVIVAL OF TALCHER UNIT:**

**i. About the project:**

Cabinet in its meeting held on 04.08.2011 approved revival of Talcher unit of FCIL through nomination basis by forming a Joint Venture of nominated PSUs by setting up gas based fertilizer plants of 1.27 MMTPA capacity. Accordingly, a JV company was incorporated as Talcher Fertilizers Ltd. (TFL). Equity of GAIL, RCF & CIL in TFL is 29.67% each & FCIL's 10.99%. TFL plant is based on Coal Gasification Technology. The project activities are being monitored closely by DoF through monthly review meeting being held under the chairmanship of Secretary (Fertilizers). The last such review meeting was held on 20.03.2020.

**ii. Incremental Progress:**

- a) Currently, only pre-project activities of project are underway and project activities at site are expected to commence soon. The cumulative progress of pre-project activities is as given below:
- Overall progress upto February, 2020 is 56.47%

- Incremental progress during March, 2020 is 0.65%
  - Overall progress upto 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2020 is 57.12%
- b) A proposal regarding formulation of urea policy exclusively for TFL is under active consideration of DoF.
- c) The TFL project is likely to be commissioned by September, 2023.

**iii. Major activities since last month**

The major activities undertaken recently are as follows: -

- "Consent to Construct" accorded by Dept. of Factories & Boilers on 15/02/2020.
  - DFR of coal to methanol project has been prepared and forwarded to NITI Aayog on 26/02/2020. A meeting on the DFR was held at NITI Aayog on 03/03/2020 wherein capex review was advised by NITI Aayog
  - Pre bid meeting for Tender for Supply, erection, testing & commissioning of permanent raw water supply system held on 19/02/2020.
  - IPICOL forwarded the requisite approval to Water Resources(WR) Dept. on 20/02/2020 for allotment of water to TFL under coordination by WR Deptt.
  - Pre bid meeting for Tender for steam generation package held on 27/02/2020.
  - Vide letter dated 11/03/2020 M/o Coal extended timeline for submission of PBG till 31/05/2020.
  - Meeting held with CMPDI on 18/03/2020 at Ranchi to expedite the ongoing mining activities.
- iv. With announcement of the nationwide lockdown announced by the Govt, all the Project works, are put on hold w.e.f. 22.03.2020.

**(C) REVIVAL OF GORAKHPUR, SINDRI AND BARAUNI UNITS:**

**About the Project:**

Cabinet in its meeting held on 13.07.2016 approved revival of Gorakhpur & Sindri units of FCIL and Barauni unit of HFCL through nomination basis by forming a Joint Venture of nominated PSUs. Accordingly, a JV company was incorporated as Hindustan Urvarak & Rasayan Limited (HURL). Equity of NTPC, IOCL and CIL is 29.67% each whereas in case of FCIL, it is 10.99%. The project activities are closely monitored by DoF through monthly review meetings being held under the chairmanship of Secretary (Fertilizers). The last review meeting was held on 20.03.2020.

**Incremental Progress upto 21.03.2020:**

**Gorakhpur Project**

- a) Overall LSTK progress upto February 2020 is 85.4%
- b) Incremental LSTK progress during March 2020 is 1.1%
- c) Overall LSTK progress upto 21<sup>st</sup> March 2020 is 86.5%

**Barauni Project**

- a) Overall LSTK progress upto February 2020 is 73.7%
- b) Incremental LSTK progress during March 2020 is 2.8%
- c) Overall LSTK progress upto 21<sup>st</sup> March 2020 is 76.5%

**Sindri Project**

- a) Overall LSTK progress upto February 2020 is 73.3%
- b) Incremental LSTK progress during March 2020 is 3.4%
- c) Overall LSTK progress upto 21<sup>st</sup> March 2020 is 76.7%

- All major Long Lead Items have been ordered for all three Projects.
- These Projects are likely to start production by 2021.

➤ With announcement of the nationwide lockdown announced by the Govt, all the Project works are put on hold w.e.f. 22.03.2020.

5. **Expenditure position:**

As against an available budget of Rs. 83477.85 Crore for F.Y. 2019-20, expenditure on administration of fertilizer subsidy during March 2020 was Rs. 968.89 Crore (P&K : Rs. 103.47 Crore, Urea: 863.35 Crore, City Compost : 1.85 Crore and DBT professional : 0.22 Crore). Progressive expenditure upto 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 was 83474.52 Crore (P&K : 26335.0 Crore, Urea : 57099.0, City Compost : 33.85 Crore and Exp. On DBT professional 6.67 Crore) i.e. 99.996 % of the total allocation.

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