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Government of India  
Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers  
Department of Fertilizers**

Room No. 407, B-Wing,  
Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi  
The 13<sup>th</sup> June 2011

To

1. Chief Secretaries of States/ Union Territories,
2. All Agricultural Production Commissioners/Secretaries, Department of Agriculture of States/Union Territories,
3. All Director (Agriculture) of State Government & Union Territories
4. All manufacturers/importers of Phosphatic & Potassic fertilizers
5. All SSP manufacturers/marketers
6. DG, FAI
7. PDIL

**Subject :** Notifications dated 10.5.2011 and 25.5.2011 issued by Department of Agriculture and Cooperation re-defining the SSP and DAP respectively under the FCO.

Sir/Madam,

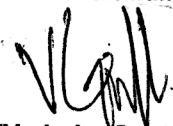
I am directed to say that Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, vide its notification dated 10.5.2011 has redefined SSP under the FCO 1985. Accordingly, the water-soluble phosphates (as P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>) percent by weight, minimum, has been revised from 16% to 14.5%. The other specifications of SSP, as such, have not been changed.

2. Similarly, Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, vide its notification dated 25.5.2011 has also redefined the moisture content by weight, maximum 2.5% instead of the existing 1.5% in DAP (18-46-0) under the FCO, 1985. The other specifications of the DAP have not been changed.

3. Department of Fertilizers has taken note of the above under the Nutrient Based Subsidy Policy for decontrolled Phosphatic & Potassic fertilizers, accordingly.

4. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,



(Varinder Gupta)

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