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Government of India
Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers
Department of Fertilizers

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 1st January, 2021

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Comprehensive review of Primary and Secondary Lead distances from Plant/Ports to districts – reg.

The undersigned is directed to state that the competent authority in the Department of Fertilizers has approved the following Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for updation of primary and secondary lead distances:-

- i. With regard to the principle for determining the lead distances (Primary and Secondary), the State shall provide the lead distances after comparing it with the Google map. As a fundamental principle, the minimum of the two lead distance (State calculated and the Google Maps) shall be recommended for DoF's acceptance. Where-ever the State recommends the higher lead distance (between actual and Google Maps), then the State shall give justification.
- ii. The companies can feed data with regard to primary lead distance but state needs to verify it before forwarding to DoF.
- iii. In case of secondary lead distances, the data entry may be done by Movement Division at the level of Section Officer, after receiving proposal from the states.
- iv. The Lead Fertilizers Suppliers may co-ordinate with the State Governments for timely updation of Primary and Secondary lead distances.

- v. The existing lead distances shall continue as these have been approved on the principle of Minimum between State recommended and Google maps. However, there should not be any expiry date for any lead distance.
- vi. The State Governments shall update lead distance every year during 1st week of April, if there is any updation in the existing lead distances. In case, no communication is received from the States till 7th April of every financial year, then that may be taken as an indication of no updation and existing lead distances may continue.
- vii. The next updation of the lead distances may be expected during 1st week of April 2021, based on the inputs received from States.


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Section Officer (Movement)

To,

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2. Director (FICC), Department of Fertilizers, Sewa Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Director (FS division), Department of Fertilizers, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi.
4. Sr. Technical Director (NIC), Department of Fertilizers, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
5. Deputy Secretary (Finance Division)
6. Director General, Fertilizer Association of India, Shaheed Jit Singh Marg, Qutab Institutional Area, New Delhi.
7. MD/CMD of all Fertilizer Suppliers.

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