

(CHEMISTRY)

Fertilizer

1. Urea(NH₂CONH₂),

- Urea is the best nitrogeneous fertilizer having 47% aitrogen by weight.
- Ammonium sulphate should not be used very frequently as it makes soil acidic. It contains 21% aitrogen by weight.

2. Calcium cyanamide CaCN₂

 It is prepared by passing a stream of nitrogen gas over hot CaC₂ at 1100°C, when nitrolim is obtained

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$$CaC_2$$
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$$CaC_2 + N_2 \xrightarrow{1100^{\circ}C} CaCN_2 + C.$$
Calcium
cyanamide

 Calcium cyanamide is a slow acting manure having 19% nitrogen by weight.

3. Mixed Fertilizers or NPK Fertilizers

- NPK also called as Kisan Khad or Kisan Urea, contains nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium.
- e.g., Nitrophosphate, Ammonium phosphate, Urea ammonium phosphate.

4. Biofertilizers

- Rhizobium and blue green algae are two important biofertilizers.
- Mycorrhiza is a symbiotic association of certility fungi with roots of higher plants. It increases water and nutrient intake by plants and increases growth and yield of plants.