

India's growing farm crisis

Record high fuel prices and the surging costs of fertilisers are hitting India's 263 million farmers and other agriculture workers, who together make up about half of India's 1.3 billion people

▲ **Top producers (food grains and cash crops)** **Fertiliser use (kg/hectare)**

Below 100

100-150

150-200

200-250

250 miles
400km

Punjab
Wheat

Uttar Pradesh
Wheat, sugar cane

PAKISTAN

NEPAL

BHUTAN

Haryana
Wheat

New Delhi

INDIA

Assam
Tea

Gujarat
Cotton

West Bengal
Rice, Jute

Maharashtra
Cotton

Andhra Pradesh
Cotton, oilseed

Karnataka
Coffee, spices

Tamil Nadu
Oilseed, coffee

Kerala **Spices**

Fertilizer use
(million metric tons)

Production

Imports

41.3

13.6

Import price change (May-Oct)

Urea **UP 48.4%**

Ammonia **39.4%**

13.4% Phosphates

Potash 11.5%

Diesel 18% (Jan-Oct)