

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE  
RAJYA SABHA  
QUESTION NO 27.11.2009  
ANSWERED ON**

**SCHEME FOR IMPROVEMENT OF INDIAN BREED OF COWS .**

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Will the Minister of COALCOALAGRICULTURE be pleased to state :-

(a) whether any scheme for improvement of breed, increasing number and protection of cows of Indian breed is operational; and

(b) if so, the details of increase in milk production from domestic breed of cows in the last three years?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE, CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. Government of India has been implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, namely, "National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding" (NPCBB) on 100% grant –aid-basis from October 2000 over a period of ten years, in two phases each of five years, with an allocation of Rs 402 crore and Rs 775.87 crore for Phase –I and Phase- II respectively. NPCBB envisages genetic upgradation of bovine population on priority basis and also has focus on development and conservation of indigenous breeds. Increase in milk production from indigenous breed of cows in the last three years is given in the following table:

2005-2006

2006-2007

2007-2008

Milk Production

(in million tones)

20.41

20.92

21.73