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TO BE ANSWERED ON 16th DECEMBER, 2022

“LUMPY SKIN DISEASE”

1238.: SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & DAIRYING be pleased to state?

- (a) the number of States where the cattle were affected by the Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD);
- (b) the steps taken and schemes introduced by Government to combat animal diseases; and
- (c) whether Government provides free vaccination against diseases of livestock and poultry, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)**

(a) and (b): Presently, 22 states namely Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Rajasthan, Uttarakhand, Madhya Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Maharashtra, Goa, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Bihar, Tamil Nadu, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Telangana, Kerala, Chhattisgarh and Odishahave reported case of Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD) and as gathered from the states, based on Centre’s advisories on control, vaccination and treatment, the control programme and vaccination against LSD is underway in the affected States/UTs. Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Government of India is taking all necessary steps to support States / UTs to control and contain LSD which include financial and technical support. Central teams also visited the states / UTs and physical and virtual meetings are conducted to sensitize the states / UTs authorities. The guidelines/advisories for control of LSD including vaccination has been circulated to States / UTs for implementation so as to control and contain the disease within a definite timeline. Further, the Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying,

Government of India implements the Livestock Health and Disease Control Programme (LHDCP) across the country with the aim of reducing risk to animal health by prophylactic vaccination against animal diseases, capacity building of veterinary services, disease surveillance and strengthening veterinary infrastructure. The major activities supported are vaccination against Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD), Brucellosis, Peste des Petits Ruminants (PPR) and Classical Swine Fever (CSF); Establishment and Strengthening of Veterinary Hospitals and Dispensaries - Mobile Veterinary Units (ESVHD-MVU); and Assistance to States for Control of Animal Disease (ASCAD) for control of state prioritized exotic, emergent and zoonotic animal diseases including LSD. Additionally, there are National Action Plans on diseases like Avian Influenza, African Swine Fever (ASF) and Glanders along with guidelines for control and containment of diseases within a definite time frame.

(c):While Animal Husbandry is a State subject, the Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Government of India implements the Livestock Health and Disease Control Programme (LHDCP), a Central Sector Scheme, in all States with the aim of reducing risk to animal health by prophylactic vaccination against diseases of animals. The funding pattern is 100% central assistance for the vaccination of FMD, Brucellosis, CSF and PPR. Further, under ASCAD, the funds are provided for control of state prioritized exotic, emergent and zoonotic animal diseases including for LSD with funding pattern of 60:40 between Central and State; 90:10 for hilly and North East States respectively and 100% for UTs. Further, as gathered from the states, some States provides free vaccination against diseases of livestock and poultry.
