

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

RAJYA SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. *206
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH MARCH, 2025

RATIO OF VETERINARY CLINICS TO THE TOTAL LIVESTOCK POPULATION

*206. Dr. M. THAMBIDURAI:

Will the MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the ratio of veterinary clinics to the total livestock population in the country is extremely negligible;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to improve this ratio and make access to medical care for livestock?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & DAIRYING
(SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) IN RESPECT OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 206 FOR REPLY ON 19.03.2025 REGARDING RATIO OF VETERINARY CLINICS TO THE TOTAL LIVESTOCK POPULATION ASKED BY Dr. M. THAMBIDURAI:

(a) and (b) Total livestock population in the country is 53.57 Crore as per 20th Livestock Census (2019) whereas the number of Veterinary Institutions as on 31-03-2024 are 67889, which consist of 13173 veterinary hospitals/poly clinics, 30184 Veterinary dispensaries, 24532 Veterinary aid-centres.

Animal Husbandry is a State subject, and the establishment of veterinary facilities falls under the purview of the respective State and Union Territory (UT). The details of veterinary hospitals and clinics available in different states are provided in Annexure I.

(c) The Central Government is supporting the States/UTs in strengthening veterinary healthcare services. Financial assistance is provided to States/UTs for operationalisation of 4016 number of Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs) for last mile delivery of veterinary services at farmers' doorsteps. The State/UT-wise details of operational MVUs under Livestock Health and Disease Control Programme (LHDCP) scheme are provided in Annexure II.

Further, under Assistance to States for Control of Animal Disease (ASCAD) sub-component of the LHDCP scheme, financial assistance is provided to the States/UTs for strengthening of diagnostic infrastructure and capacity building.

Number of Veterinary Institutions (As on 31-03-2024)

Sl. No.	State/UTs	Veterinary Hospitals/Poly clinic	Veterinary Dispensaries	Veterinary Aid Centre (Stockmen Centers/Mobile Dispensaries)	Total
1	Andhra Pradesh	337	1577	1558	3472
2	Arunachal Pradesh	16	183	311	510
3	Assam	21	431	767	1219
4	Bihar	1096	39	1595	2730
5	Chhattisgarh	364	847	55	1266
6	Goa	5	25	47	77
7	Gujarat	34	891	1139	2064
8	Haryana	1050	1815	91	2956
9	Himachal Pradesh	466	1762	1228	3456
10	Jammu & Kashmir	19	1256	225	1500
11	Jharkhand	35	424	433	892
12	Karnataka	697	2176	1381	4254
13	Kerala	279	870	15	1164
14	Madhya Pradesh	1063	1583	65	2711
15	Maharashtra	39	1976	2841	4856
16	Manipur	59	151	23	233
17	Meghalaya	4	126	121	251
18	Mizoram	11	67	69	147
19	Nagaland	13	55	100	168
20	Odisha	62	479	3553	4094
21	Punjab	1389	1489	22	2900
22	Rajasthan	3066	7167	102	10335
23	Sikkim	23	74	49	146
24	Tamil Nadu	182	2766	921	3869
25	Telangana	107	909	1101	2117
26	Tripura	16	65	462	543
27	Uttarakhand	331	10	779	1120
28	Uttar Pradesh	2208	267	2575	5050
29	West Bengal	113	616	2609	3338
30	A&N Islands	10	13	49	72
31	Chandigarh	5	9	0	14
32	Ladakh	4	9	127	140
33	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	1	2	12	15
34	Delhi	48	29	0	77
35	Lakshadweep	0	9	0	9
36	Puducherry	0	17	107	124
	All India	13173	30184	24532	67889

List of State/UT-wise operational Mobile Veterinary Units under LHDCP Scheme

S.I.	States/UTs	No of MVUs Operational
1	Andhra Pradesh	340
2	Arunachal Pradesh	25
3	Assam	159
4	Bihar	307
5	Chhattisgarh	163
6	Goa	2
7	Gujarat	127
8	Haryana	70
9	Himachal Pradesh	44
10	Jammu & Kashmir	50
11	Jharkhand	236
12	Karnataka	275
13	Kerala	29
14	Ladakh	9
15	Madhya Pradesh	406
16	Maharashtra	80
17	Manipur	33
18	Meghalaya	17
19	Mizoram	26
20	Nagaland	16
21	Puducherry	4
22	Rajasthan	536
23	Sikkim	6
24	Tamil Nadu	245
25	Tripura	13
26	Uttar Pradesh	520
27	Uttarakhand	60
28	West Bengal	218
	Total	4016