GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRYAND DAIRYING DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRYAND DAIRYING RAJYA SABHA UN-STARRED QUESTION 1561 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12TH MARCH, 2025

21ST NATIONAL LIVESTOCK CENSUS SURVEY

1561. SHRI ASHOKRAO SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted the 21stNational Livestock Census Survey recently;
- (b) If so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives of conducting such census;
- (c) whether Government has conducted a workshop to train its officials on data collation strategies and familiarization with various registered breed of livestock and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the total livestock population in the country as per the 21st Census conducted recently?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRYAND DAIRYING (PROF. S. P. SINGH BAGHEL)

- a) Yes Sir, the 21stNational Livestock Census exercise has been launched across the country on 25th October, 2024 and is likely to be completed by 31st March, 2025.
- b) The main objective of the 21stLivestock Census is to know the stock of total livestock and poultry population in the country. It includes enumeration of 15 species of domesticated animals namely, cattle, buffalo, goat, sheep, yak, mithun, dog, rabbit, pig, horse, pony, donkey, mules, camel, elephant and poultry birds. It also includes the collection of use, sex and age-wise information along with 219 registered breeds of livestock. Assessing trends in livestock and breeds for better policymaking, collating data on indigenous and exotic breeds for their conservation and breeding programs, providing valuable inputs for various government planning and initiatives for development and welfare in the livestock sector are some aims and objectives of this exercise.
- c) Yes Sir, Department has conducted extensive trainings & workshops across the country including one All India training for trainers at New Delhi on dated 25.06.2024 and nine regional trainings at Guwahati, Dimapur, Lukhnow, Puri, Ahmedabad, Pune, Vishakhapatnam, Chennai, Panaji, Amritsar and Srinagar at different dates during July to August, 2024 to the officials on data collation strategies and familiarization with various registered breed of livestock. Thereafter, using these master trainers States/UTs have conducted district level trainings to their enumerators & supervisors in all 785 districts across the country.
- d) Sir, the 21st Livestock Census enumeration is currently ongoing.
