

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FISHERIES ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

RAJYA SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. *57

TO BE ANSWERED ON 04TH FEBRUARY, 2026

STATUS OF ANIMAL SHELTERS

*57 SMT. SAGARIKA GHOSE:

Will the Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying

be pleased to state:

- (a) the current number and capacity of shelter houses that received grants from Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) and their geographic distribution;
- (b) the percentage of funds requested or budgeted or actually disbursed;
- (c) the State-wise distribution of grants by AWBI during the last three financial years;
- (d) the list of States which have not received any grants in the last three financial years and reasons therefor; and
- (e) the State-wise distribution of funds to Societies for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and Local Bodies to conduct Animal Birth Control programmes?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

(SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION
NO. 57 PART (a) to (e) ON STATUS OF ANIMAL SHELTER TO BE ANSWERED ON
04.02.2026**

(a) The Animal Welfare Board of India provides financial assistance under the shelter house scheme to the recognized animal welfare organizations / Gaushalas sheltering the stray/injured /sick animals. The State-wise distribution of animal shelter those have received grants are as under:

Sl. No.	State	Number of AWOs who have received financial assistance for construction of Shelter houses				
		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
1	Gujarat		1			
2	Haryana	3	3	3	1	1
3	Maharashtra	1				
4	Madhya Pradesh	4	5	1		1
5	Punjab		1		1	
6	Rajasthan	4	4	2	1	1
7	Uttar Pradesh	3	2	1	1	
	Total= 45	15	16	7	4	3

(b) The Animal Welfare Board of India implemented five numbers of schemes for which the Central Government provides Grants-in-Aids. The scheme- wise details of amount of fund allocated, released and percentage thereof under the various schemes are as under:

Financial Year	2020-21			2021-22		
	Fund allocated	Fund disbursed	Percent age	Fund allocated	Fund disbursed	Percent age
Regular Grant	1,30,00,000	1,30,00,000	100%	1,99,00,000	1,99,00,000	100%
Animal Birth Control	4,03,981	2,12,265	53%	-	-	0
Ambulance	50,00,000	49,41,800	98%	50,00,000	48,56,650	96%
Natural Calamity	2,00,000	2,00,000	100%	-	-	0
Shelter Grant	1,50,00,000	1,50,00,000	100%	1,50,00,000	1,50,00,000	100%

Financial Year	2022-23			2023-24			2024-25		
	Fund allocated	Fund disbursed	Percent age	Fund allocated	Fund disbursed	Percent age	Fund allocated	Fund disbursed	Percent age
Regular Grant	4,45,00,000	4,45,00,000	100%	4,50,00,000	4,08,20,675	91%	61,02,355	39,98,350	64%
Animal Birth Control	-	-	0	-	-	0	-	-	0

21	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	Odisha	0	0	0	0	2	15000 0	0	0
24	Punjab	2	2230 711	0	0	0	0	1	150000
25	Pondicherry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	Rajasthan	12	1097 4196	11	4879000	1	50000	395	39831075
27	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	Tamil Nadu	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	75700
29	Telangana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Tripura	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31	Uttarakhand	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1245000
32	Uttar Pradesh	7	7717 731	8	3540500	0	0	325	37154475
33	West Bengal	0	0	0	450000	0	0	6	332300
		45	4425 0409	32	14664044	4	70000 0	1022	12221902 5

(e) The Animal Birth Control Programme is the mandate of the Local Bodies. The State Governments are providing funds for carrying out the Animal Birth Control programme. The AWBI did not release financial assistance in last three years. However, AWBI released some amount of 50% assistance to the SPCA and Local Bodies for conducting Animal Birth Control programme through reimbursement basis during 2004-05 to 2019-20. The details are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of the State	Grant Released to SPCAs	Grant Released to Local Bodies	Total Grant Released
1.	Andhra Pradesh	7707500	2005615	9713115
2.	Delhi	6536135	21736550	28272685
3.	Gujarat	3790090	445000	4235090
4.	Goa	1356450	0	1356450
5.	Himachal Pradesh	61750	393096	454846
6.	Haryana	0	1112500	1112500
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	0	217160	217160
8.	Kerala	2837000	0	2837000
9.	Maharashtra	822950	7359410	8182360
10.	Odisha	0	1134125	1134125
11.	Tamil Nadu	1040090	16524659	17564749
12.	Uttarakhand	0	2083470	2083470
13.	Uttar Pradesh	0	1441608	1441608
14.	West Bengal	222500	1930855	2153355
	Total =	24374465	56384048	80758513

