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ANIMAL HUSBANDRY ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROMOTION SCHEME

2783 # SMT. DARSHANA SINGH:

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

- (a) the key provisions made to promote animal husbandry entrepreneurship under the Credit-Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme announced in the Union Budget 2026-27;
- (b) whether the establishment of private veterinary hospitals, diagnostic laboratories and breeding centres will be encouraged under this scheme;
- (c) the benefits expected in rural employment and livestock productivity therefor; and
- (d) the action plan prepared by Government for its effective implementation, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

(SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH)

(a) Hon'ble Finance Minister at para of 77 of Union Budget 2026-27 has announced "To provide quality employment opportunities in rural and peri-urban areas, we will support the Sector in Animal Husbandry entrepreneurship development through: (a) a Credit-Linked Subsidy Programme (b) scaling-up and modernization of livestock enterprises (c) enhance creation of livestock, dairy and poultry-focused integrated-value chains and (d) encourage creation of Livestock Farmer Producers Organizations.

Also, in para 59 of the Budget Announcement, Hon'ble Finance Minister has announced "Livestock Contributes close to 16% of farm income, including of poor and marginal households. To scale up availability of veterinary professionals by more than 20,000, I propose to roll out a loan-linked capital subsidy support scheme for establishment of veterinary and para-vet colleges, veterinary hospitals, diagnostic laboratories and breeding facilities in the private sector collaboration between Indian and foreign institutions will also be facilitated"

(b) to (d) Establishment of private veterinary hospitals, diagnostic laboratories and breeding centres will be encouraged under this scheme. The expected benefit under the scheme is enhanced farm income, entrepreneurship development, employment opportunities and breed development.

During 2026-27, ₹ 500 cr has been allocated under Integrated scheme for entrepreneurship development. Expenditure Finance Committee Memorandum has been submitted to Department of Expenditure for approval of the detailed scheme to be implemented during 16th Finance Commission Cycle.
