GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRYING AND FISHERIES LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 2263 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH NOVEMBER, 2016

ASSISTANCE TO POULTRY FARMING

2263: SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India has ranked as one of the world's growing poultry exporter;
- (b) if so, the quantity and value of poultry products exported and the revenue earned therefrom during the last three years;
- (c) whether severe heat wave and the drought situation in various parts of the country have left huge casualties among birds and livestock birds which has greatly affected the poultry sector and the bird mortality rate remains an all time high in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has taken any steps to prevent further loss of birds and livestock, and to assist the poultry and livestock farmers, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) and (b) India's ranking in international trade of poultry products is at number 35. The export of poultry products from India in terms of quantity and value during the last three years is as follows:

| Quality in Metric Tollies, value in Rupees lak | | | | | |
|--|----------|-------------|----------|-------------|----------|
| 2013-14 | | 2014-15 | | 2015-16 | |
| Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| 4,37,667.52 | 56584.85 | 5,56,698.80 | 65119.19 | 6,59,304.13 | 76871.62 |

Quantity in Metric Tonnes; value in Rupees lakh

(c) to (e) No official reports or details were received from any State Governments on high bird mortality rate earlier this year due to severe heat wave or drought situation. However, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries has prepared and released a Disaster Management Plan for protecting animals and preventing and mitigating loss of livestock resources during disasters in consultation with National Disaster Management Authority and various State Governments. Some States like Andhra Pradesh and Telangana have also come out with specific action plan during heat wave to prevent losses to livestock and poultry.