GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3324

TO BE ANSWERED ON MARCH 22, 2017

STRAY CATTLE

No. 3324 SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated a plan at national level under the Swachh Bharat Mission to restrict movement of stray cattle particularly cows and buffaloes in urban areas in the country;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard along with the roadmap of the said plan;
- (c) the details of funds likely to be incurred on implementation of the said plan; and
- (d) the details of sources from where the said funds are likely to be mobilised along with the quantum thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a) to (d): Swachh Bharat Mission (U) does not include stray cattle movement in its implementation plan. However, in order to address the issue of cattle waste/excreta in cities, Ministry of Urban Development (MoUd) has issued an advisory on 28th December, 2016 to states and cities to productively dispose of their cattle waste through the establishment of "Gobar banks". MoUD has also developed a concept note on the establishment of manure or gobar banks, that will among other uses, serve as supply centers for biogas plants. The note addresses the issues of stray cattle, the supply chain and process flow, sources of funding as well as case studies on existing manure banks in India. This note has been shared with states and cities with a request to develop a plan for incorporating the management of cattle waste into their solid waste management activities.
