# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRYING AND FISHERIES

### LOK SABHA

# STARRED QUESTION NO.60\* TO BE ANSWERED ON 6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2018

### MILK COOPERATIVES

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

- (a) the schemes formulated by the Government for improving the condition of milk cooperatives in various States of the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to charge interest rates on loans granted to dairy farmers at par with loans being granted to the agricultural farmers;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government also proposes to provide loan at concessional rates of interest for purchase of livestock since dairy farming supplements agricultural farming; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken by the Government in this regard?

### **ANSWER**

## THE MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.60\* PUT IN BY SHRI VIKRAM USENDI AND DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO REGARDING "MILK COOPERATIVES" DUE FOR ANSWER ON  $6^{\text{TH}}$  FEBRUARY, 2018.

- (a) Department Animal Husbandry Dairying& Fisheries, Government of India has been implementing following dairy development schemes for creation of dairy infrastructure to improve the conditions of milk cooperatives in various States across the country:
- (i) Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme (DEDS)
- (ii) Dairy Processing and Infrastructure Development Fund (DIDF)
- (iii) National Programme for Dairy Development (NPDD)
- (iv) National Dairy Plan, Phase -1 (NDP-1)
- (v) Supporting State Cooperative Dairy Federations (SSCDF)

(b)&(c): No Madam. However, this Department has initiated a new scheme during 2017-18, titled "DIDF", which envisages that NABARD shall provide loan at a subsidized interest rate of 6.5% through National Dairy Development Board and National Cooperative Dairy Corporation to eligible Dairy Cooperatives for creation and modernization of infrastructure for dairy processing and value added products.

(d)&(e): No Madam. However, this Department has been implementing DEDS scheme through National Bank for Agricultural and Rural Development (NABARD). The scheme provides for back-ended capital subsidy @ 25% of the project cost for general category (@ 33.33% for SC/ST) beneficiaries to support components including purchase of cattle under bankable projects subject to scheme norms.

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