

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRYING & FISHERIES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4043
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH MARCH, 2018

PROMOTION OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRY AND FISHERIES SECTORS

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Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide more importance to animal husbandry, dairy and fisheries sectors;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it has become mandatory to pay more attention towards milch cattle because of erratic rainfall and shortage of water in various parts of the country; and
- (d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRIMATI KRISHNA RAJ)**

- (a) & (b) In order to supplement the efforts of State Governments, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries(DADF) is implementing the following schemes for promoting animal husbandry, dairying and fisheries sector:
 - a. Rashtriya Gokul Mission
 - b. National Dairy Plan-I
 - c. Livestock Health & Disease Control
 - d. National Livestock Mission
 - e. Blue Revolution: Integrated Development and Management of Fisheries
 - f. National Programme for Dairy Development
 - g. Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme

Further, Dairy Processing and Infrastructure Development Fund (DIDF) with total corpus of Rs.10,881 crore has been launched with the objective of modernisation of milk processing plants and creation of addition infrastructure for milk processing over a period of three years i.e. 2017-18 to 2019-20.

(c) & (d) Livestock especially milch animal are the best insurance against the vagaries of nature due to drought, famine and other natural calamities including erratic rainfall and shortage of water. Therefore, in order to complement and supplement the efforts made by the States for development of milch animals, Government of India is implementing following schemes:

- (i) Rashtriya Gokul Mission with the aim to develop and conserve indigenous breeds and enhancing their production and productivity.
- (ii) National Dairy Plan-I being implemented to increase productivity of milch animals and provide rural milk producers with greater access to the organized milk processing sector.
- (iii) Livestock Health & Disease Control scheme is implemented in order to prevent, control and contain animal diseases in the country.
- (iv) National Livestock Mission being implemented with a focus on feed and fodder development to increase fodder availability in the country and sub-mission on livestock development having component for livestock insurance including insurance of milch animals.

Further, to meet the infrastructure requirements of animal husbandry and fisheries sector, in the Budget 2018-19, the Government of India has announced the setting up of Animal Husbandry, Infrastructure Development Fund and Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund with total corpus of Rs.10,000 crore.