GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRYING & FISHERIES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 4110 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH MARCH, 2018

POULTRY FARMING

4110 : SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH:
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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 has any policy to encourage poultry farming especially in dry and non-irrigated areas of the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the schemes available to the farmers for poultry farming;
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the actual demand for poultry products in the country, if so, the outcome thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to allocate more funds for growth of poultry industry in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to promote poultry farming in backward and non-irrigated areas in the country?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The National Livestock Policy inter alia supports poultry farming across the country. However, there is no exclusive program for poultry farming for dry and non-irrigated areas of the country.
- (b) Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries (DADF) is implementing National Livestock Mission (NLM) since 2014-15 in all State which includes poultry components also. The various poultry components are Poultry Venture Capital Fund under Entrepreneurship Development and Employment Generation component, Rural Backyard Poultry Development, Innovative Poultry Productivity Project, Modernisation and Development of Breeding Infrastructure (State and University Poultry farms) and Central farms Central Poultry Development Organisations (CPDOs).
- (c) There are no specific studies available on demand of poultry products in the country.
- (d) The Department under National Livestock Mission currently addresses various aspects of animal husbandry including feed, fodder development, sheep, goat, piggery, poultry, livestock insurance, skill development etc. for holistic animal husbandry development. Though there is no specification allocation for poultry, the budget estimate under NLM increased to Rs. 425 crore in 2018-19 from Rs. 395 crore in 2017-18. Viable poultry projects as received from States and regions including dry and non-irrigated areas of the country will be considered under the same.
- (e) No specific steps has been taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to promote poultry farming in backward and non-irrigated areas in the country. However National Livestock Mission is continuing for promotion of poultry farming across the country.
