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

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 5159 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27^{TH} MARCH 2018

CATTLE MANAGEMENT PRACTICE

5159. SHRI JOSE K. MANI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to assess the conditions of major dairies across the nation;
- (b) if so, the details of the findings thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to improve cattle management practices in the country ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): No, Madam. Government has not conducted any survey to assess the conditions of major dairies across the nation.
- (c) Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries has been implementing following schemes for creation, modification and strengthening of major dairies in cooperative sector and producer companies: (i) National Programme for Dairy Development; (ii)Dairy Infrastructure Development Fund and (iii) National Dairy Plan-I. In order to complement and supplement the efforts made by the states for scientific and holistic management of livestock including cattle, Government of India has taken following steps:
 - i) Rashtriya Gokul Mission with aim of development and conservation of indigenous breeds and enhancement of milk production and productivity of bovine population.
 - ii) National Dairy Plan-I with the aim of enhancing production and productivity of milch animals and to provide rural milk producers greater access to the organized milk processing centre. The scheme also has focus on development and conservation of 12 indigenous breeds of cattle and buffaloes.
 - iii) Livestock Health and Disease Control for tackling the issues of livestock health assistance is released under the scheme to the States & UTs.
 - iv) National Livestock Mission having sub mission on Feed & Fodder Development for increasing fodder availability in the country and Livestock Development with the component for providing insurance coverage to bovines along with other livestock species.
 - v) Government has also established three subordinate organizations namely, (a) Central Cattle Breeding Farms (CCBFs) (b) Central Herd registration Scheme and (c) Central Frozen Semen Production & Training Institute. These institutes playing crucial role in supply of high genetic merit bulls and semen doses of indigenous breeds.
