

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRYING AND FISHERIES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 621
TO BE ANSWERED ON 6TH FEBRUARY, 2018
DEVELOPMENT OF FISH BREEDING AND SHEEP REARING

621. SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR:

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

- (a) the various measures taken by the Government to improve fish breeding and sheep rearing in the country;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to improve the lives of respective farmers thereof; and
- (c) the number of farmers in Himachal Pradesh which are involved in the above-mentioned activities along with the success achieved by the Government in the State to promote fish breeding and sheep rearing ?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRIMATI KRISHNA RAJ)

(a)to(c): Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries is implementing the schemes namely, Blue Revolution for the development of fisheries sector and the sub-scheme “National Livestock Mission” among others under the umbrella scheme of White Revolution for development of Livestock sector including sheep rearing in the country.

Under Blue Revolution Scheme DADF supports establishment of fish seed hatcheries to the States in the country for quality fish seed production. The fish seed hatchery owners are assisted with subsidy @40% & 60% of the project cost for General and SC-ST respectively. In the State of Himachal Pradesh at present there are only 6 private farmers who have been involved in fish breeding. Out of 6 hatcheries, 2 have been completed. Apart from this there are 6 carp hatcheries and 6 trout hatcheries in Government sector. During 2017-18 there is a proposal to construct two new trout hatcheries under RKVY in private sector one each in Mandi and Kullu. Besides 15 trout hatcheries are also proposed to be constructed in Private sector during the year 2017-18 under Blue Revolution Scheme. The Department provides financial assistance @ 40% to 60% of the project cost for General and SC- ST respectively for raising infrastructure for the construction of Carp and Trout hatcheries. At present around 604.679 Lakhs spawn of Carp Fish and 18.91 Lakhs ovas of trout fish are being produced in Himachal Pradesh every year.

Similarly under the sub-scheme “National Livestock Mission” the Department focuses on production and productivity in the Livestock Sector including Sheep and is implemented throughout the country including Himachal Pradesh. Three components under National Livestock Mission to improve Sheep rearing are as follows:-

- i) Innovative Project for “Genetic Improvement of Goat and Sheep”**
- ii) Strengthening of breeding infrastructure of State / University farms including Sheep farms.**
- iii) Interventions towards productivity enhancement**

As per the 19th Livestock Census, number of households and household enterprises involved in Sheep rearing in Himachal Pradesh is 77745. During the year 2016-17, 1475.00 thousand Kilograms of wool and 4.40 thousand tonnes of meat have been produced in Himachal Pradesh (as per BAHS 2017).
