

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH & EDUCATION

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2094
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31/07/2018

PRODUCTION OF CLONES OF ELITE BUFFALOES/BULLS

2094. SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

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

- (a) whether it is true that Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) in collaboration with National Dairy Research Institute (NDRI) is on the process of producing 25 clones of elite buffaloes/bulls;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which these 25 clones of bulls will be produced; and
- (d) the total budget estimate in this regard?

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MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री
(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) & (b): The National Dairy Research Institute (NDRI) and Central Institute for Research on Buffaloes (CIRB), the institutes of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), have been jointly awarded research grant through ICAR-National Agricultural Science Fund (NASF) for the project entitled “**Production of Multiple copies of elite buffalo bulls using animal cloning technology**”.

- (c) The project duration is of four years (2018-2022) during which attempts will be made to produce clones of bulls.
- (d) The total approved budget outlay of the project is Rs.5.74 Crores.
