GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & DAIRYING DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & DAIRYING LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3288 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21ST MARCH, 2023

IMMUNIZATION OF STRAY DOGS

3288: SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of stray dogs immunized and sterilized since 2017, State-wise including district-wise in Jharkhand;
- (b) the number of civil society organisations that have received financial benefits under the Scheme for Animal Birth Control (ABC) and Immunization of Stray Dogs since 2017, State and district-wise in Jharkhand; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to revise the amount of financial assistance per dog provided under the scheme in future, and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

- (a) The information sought in the question is not available in the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying. However, the State of Jharkhand was requested for providing the information which has not been made available by the State Government.
- (b) As per information made available by the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) no application seeking financial assistance under the Animal Birth Control Scheme (ABC) for sterilization and immunization of stray dogs from the Civil societies working in the State of Jharkhand has been received. Hence, Board has not released any fund for Animal Birth Control in the State of Jharkhand.
- (c) The Animal Birth Control Programme is the mandate of the Local Bodies. The funds are made available by them in the respective states. However, earlier, the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) was providing assistance to the Animal Welfare Organizations or Local Bodies as re-imbursement @ Rs. 445/per dog. Though the AWBI has proposed the revision of rates of Animal Birth Control, however, the same has not been considered as there is no demand of the funds for ABC by the Local Bodies from AWBI in last couple of years.
