

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
 MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
 DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
 LOK SABHA
 UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3846
 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17TH MARCH, 2020

DEATHS OF COWS IN GAUSHALLAS

3846. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of deaths of cows in Gaushallas due to various reasons during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the number of deaths of cows has increased due to carelessness in taking care, providing insufficient food, showing negligence in treatment of sick cows etc.;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether any survey has been carried out to assess the loss of crops suffered by the farmers due to stray animals every year ?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATES FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
 (DR SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)**

(a) to (c) As per the Constitution of India, preservation, protection and improvement of stock and prevention of animal diseases; veterinary training and practice is under state list. The panchayats and local municipalities are empowered to establish and run Cattle Pounds (Kanji Houses)/ Gaushala Shelters (community assets) at their respective jurisdiction. Therefore, the Central Government does not maintain information on death of cows in cow sheds. The prevention of animal diseases, veterinary care including arrangement of feed and fodder for an animal is also under state subject.

Animal Welfare Board of India is also providing some assistance for shelter, fodder, ambulance and treatment of animals in gaushalas. Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India is also implementing schemes for disease control and fodder production etc. Financial assistance are provided to State Governments.

(d) No such survey has been carried out to assess the loss of crops suffered by the farmers due to stray animals every year.