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MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1474
TO BE ANSWERED ON 7TH DECEMBER, 2021

INCREASE IN STRAY CATTLE

1474. Shri Arjun Lal Meena:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of major problems of increasing numbers of stray cattle in the State of Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof from past three years for number increase State-wise including the State of Rajasthan district-wise;
- (c) whether the Government is taking any initiatives or is any budget allocated for active rehabilitations of stray cattle; and
- (d) if so, details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) As per the information received from the State Government of Rajasthan, the State is aware of the problem of increasing the number of stray cattle in the state.

(b) The information on number of Stray cattle is being collected through Livestock Census which is conducted in every 5 years. According to the last Livestock Census, State-wise number of Stray Cattle areas under:

Number of Stray Cattle		
S.No.	State/UT	Stray Cattle
		2019
1	A&N Islands	1459
2	Andhra Pradesh	73850
3	Arunachal Pradesh	659
4	Assam	40608
5	Bihar	85276

6	Chandigarh	1440
7	Chhattisgarh	184993
8	D&N Haveli	0
9	Daman & Diu	1296
10	Delhi	12163
11	Goa	9459
12	Gujarat	343918
13	Haryana	127917
14	Himachal Pradesh	36311
15	Jammu & Kashmir	13864
16	Jharkhand	32773
17	Karnataka	77075
18	Kerala	3629
19	Lakshadweep	0
20	Madhya Pradesh	853971
21	Maharashtra	152565
22	Manipur	2
23	Meghalaya	2344
24	Mizoram	70
25	Nagaland	115
26	Odisha	151703
27	Puducherry	67
28	Punjab	140069
29	Rajasthan	1272277
30	Sikkim	157
31	Tamil Nadu	51150
32	Telangana	36366
33	Tripura	3361
34	Uttar Pradesh	1184494
35	Uttarakhand	27453
36	West Bengal	98733
	All India	5021587

As per the 20th Livestock Census data, Rajasthan State has total of 1272277 number of stray cattle. The district-wise number of animals in Rajasthan are as under:

S.No.	Name of District	Stray Cattle
		20th Livestock Census 2019
1	Ajmer	35850
2	Alwar	29384
3	Banswara	2385
4	Baran	36812
5	Barmer	41942
6	Bharatpur	30525
7	Bhilwara	73062
8	Bikaner	90680
9	Bundi	39365
10	Chittorgarh	33216
11	Churu	57230
12	Dausa	20460
13	Dholpur	18523
14	Dungarpur	4021
15	Ganganagar	47423
16	Hanumangarh	32623
17	Jaipur	69424
18	Jaisalmer	14088
19	Jalore	43809
20	Jhalawar	55776
21	Jhunjhunu	31242
22	Jodhpur	92642
23	Karauli	20719
24	Kota	29945
25	Nagaur	103611
26	Pali	60453
27	Pratapgarh	2982
28	Rajsamand	16399
29	SawaiMadhopur	26378
30	Sikar	54293
31	Sirohi	11268
32	Tonk	32249
33	Udaipur	13498
	State Total	1272277

(c) As per the information received from Government of Rajasthan, there are 3222 numbers of Gaushalas are operational in the State where in 10.60 lakh cattle are sheltered. In order to provide stray cattle adequate shelter and management, the Directorate of Gopalan, Government of Rajasthan are implementing the following programmes/ schemes:

Rs. 40/- per day per head to large cattle and Rs. 20/- per day to small cattle are provided for 180 days period for their maintenance and feeding. Funds provided for this purpose to gaushals by the Rajasthan Government under Cow Promotion and Fund Rules,2016 are as under:

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Amount (Rs. in Crore)
01	2018-19	240.57
02	2019-20	462.45
03	2020-21	565.48
04	2021-22(till 30.11.2021)	488.76

The State of Rajasthan provided Rs.446.83 lakh and Rs.90.00 lakh during 2020-21 and 2021-22 respectively to eligible gaushalas for capacity building under Gaushala Development Scheme.

In order to provide the shelter to the homeless cattle, Rs. 720.00 lakh were granted at the rate of Rs. 45 lakh to 16 districts to open the Nandishala at the District level under the Scheme of NandishalaJansahabhagita by the State Government of Rajasthan.

Rs. 20.00 lakh has been provided to Shree Gaushala, Padampur, SriGanganagar District for establishment of plant for disposal of Cow Dung under the scheme of Biogas Yojna.

For the shelter of male stray cattle roaming on roads, as per the budget announcement by the State Government, the scheme has been approved for establishment of Nandishala at Panchayat level. Directions dated 27.08.2021 has been issued for the implementation of the scheme in the year 2021-22. Provision for Rs. 111.91 Cr. has been made for establishment of 70 Nandishalas in the current financial year.

In addition to the above mentioned efforts by the State Government, the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) also provides financial assistance to recognized Gaushalas for feed, fodder, & maintenance of Gaushalas under the scheme of Regular Grants as well as for establishment of Shelter, dispensary etc. under the scheme for provision of Shelter House.
