

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3080  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH, 2022

**START-UP SCHEME**

3080. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:  
SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:  
SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:  
SHRIMATI NAVNEET RAVIRANA:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the steps taken for the protection and development of the livestock and their indigenous breeds in the country;
- (b) the details of the schemes related to animal husbandry, pisciculture and dairy sector being implemented by the Government under which unemployed youth are being encouraged to start small businesses;
- (c) whether the said business have been covered under start-up scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details of the process under which the Government has been providing financial assistance for creation of infrastructural facilities in this regard?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (d) The Government is implementing the following schemes to supplement the efforts of the States/UTs across the country for the protection and development of the livestock and their indigenous breeds across the country which helps to encourage unemployed youths directly as well as indirectly to start businesses:

- i. Rashtriya Gokul Mission,
- ii. National Programme for Dairy Development,
- iii. Dairy Processing and Infrastructure Development Fund,
- iv. Supporting Dairy Cooperatives and Farmer Producer Organizations engaged in dairy activities
- v. National Livestock Mission,
- vi. Livestock Health and Disease Control

- vii. Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund
- viii. National Animal Disease Control Programme
- ix. Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana
- x. Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund

Various sub-components under the said schemes have encouraged the unemployed youths to start businesses in the animal husbandry and dairy sector. In addition to this, the Government in partnership with Startup India, launched the “Animal Husbandry Startup Grand Challenge” on 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 which provides a unique opportunity in Animal Husbandry Sector towards a commercially viable and innovative solution for addressing the key challenges in the Sector. In order to scout for innovative and commercially viable solutions to address the problems faced by the Animal Husbandry and Dairy sector, Startup Grand Challenge 2.0 has been launched by Honourable Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

The Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY), under its Central Sector Component envisages for innovations and innovative projects/activities, technology demonstration including startups, incubators and pilot projects in fisheries sector. The Department in association with Startup India, Ministry of Commerce and Industry has inaugurated the “Fisheries Startup Grand Challenge” on 13th January 2022. The challenge was launched with an objective to provide a platform to young talent within the country to showcase their innovative solutions within the Fisheries and Aquaculture sector. 12 selected winners of the challenge shall be awarded with a cash grant of Rs 2.00 lakh. Further, up to 10 selected start-ups will be provided with the incubation support by an incubator selected by Startup India for a period of 9 months by providing seed grant to the selected start-ups.

The Government provides assistance to livestock & fisheries farmers/entrepreneurs through various fisheries, animal husbandry and dairy schemes for creation and strengthening of infrastructural facilities across the country.

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