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MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3193
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND MARCH 2022

PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF COWS

3193. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to make a concrete plan for the protection and development of cows in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the steps taken so far for the implementation of the said plan in the State of Gujarat?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b) In order to compliment and supplement the efforts made by the States/UTs for development, conservation and promotion of indigenous breeds of cattle, Government of India has been implementing Rashtriya Gokul Mission (RGM) since 2014. All the States and UTs are participating under RGM.

(c) The details of the steps taken so far for the implementation of RGM in the State of Gujarat are as under:

(i) As sum of of Rs.5084.98 lakh has been released to the State of Gujarat under RGM since 2014.

(ii) Implementation of Nationwide Artificial Insemination (AI) Programme to extend AI coverage among bovines using semen of High Genetic Merit Bulls of indigenous breeds of cattle including other bovine breeds. As on date, 21.61 lakh Artificial Inseminations have been performed, 12.90 lakh farmers have been benefited, 17.47 lakh bovines have been covered and 1.18 lakh calves born under the programme.

(iii) Funds have been sanctioned for establishment of IVF Laboratory for faster genetic upgradation of bovine population including indigenous breeds of cattle at SAG, Bidaj, CCBF, Dhamrod and Amreli. As on date 2095 embryos have been produced and 58 calves born from operational IVF lab at SAG Bidaj and Dhamrod.

(iv) Establishment of Sex sorted semen production facility at Patan Gujarat: Sex sorted semen production facility has been made operational and as on date 1.2 lakh sex sorted semen doses have been produced for use in Artificial Insemination programme.

(v) Establishment of Gokul Grams for development and conservation of Gir breed of Cow at Porbandar. Civil works for establishment of Gokul Gram has been completed

(vi) 125 Multipurpose AI technicians in Rural India (MAITRIs) have been inducted for delivery of Artificial Insemination services at farmers door step.
