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MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2532
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND AUGUST, 2022

FODDER FOR LIVESTOCK

2532. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री
be pleased to state

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that since the organic waste from farming contains protein, energy and various nutraceuticals, it can be mixed with other supplements and fed to cattle and other animals to maintain their health and vigour, and Biomass generated from agriculture can be used as fodder for livestock; and

(b) if so, the details of the initiatives taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b). Yes Sir. Under re-aligned National Livestock Mission, a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, the Union Government is implementing a Sub Mission on Feed and Fodder Development. Under the Sub Mission, incentivization is provided up to 50 per cent capital subsidy (maximum Rs.50 lakh) for value addition such as Hay/Silage/Total Mixed Rations (TMR)/ Fodder Block and storage of fodder. Besides, Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF), a Central Sector Scheme is also operational in the country wherein interest subvention up to 3 per cent is provided to all eligible entities for establishment of Total Mixed Ration (TMR) Block Making units. Eligible beneficiaries can avail loan up to 90% from the scheduled banks. TMR is a type of feed consisting of biomass generated from agriculture wherein all the nutrients required by the livestock are mixed together to form a complete and balanced feed for the livestock. To demonstrate efficient utilization of surplus crop residues, two crop residue enrichment & densification plants have been installed at Kolhapur (Maharashtra) and Hanumangarh (Rajasthan) under National Dairy Plan Phase 1, a Central Sector Scheme implemented by the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB). In addition, enrichment of crop residues (paddy straw) with urea and molasses is also practiced by the dairy farmers and utilize it as nutritious fodder for the livestock.
