GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 438 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH JULY, 2022

INCREASE IN MILK PRICES

438. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there has been a considerable increase in milk prices in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last two years, Qtr-wise;
- (c) the detailed reasons including any rise in prices of key raw materials etc. for this rapid hike in milk prices adversely affecting the people of the country;
- (d) whether the Government is taking any steps to stabilize the prices of milk in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE HON'BLE MINISTER FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) and (b) The Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Government of India does not regulate the procurement and sale prices of milk in the country. Prices are decided by the cooperative and private dairies based on their cost of production and market forces. This Department reviews the milk situation in the country to monitor the situation on regular basis. Based on the inputs received from milk federations / milk unions, sale prices of milk have reportedly been increased. The average quarter-wise milk sale price is given below:

| | 2020-21 | | | | 2021-22 | | | |
|---------------------------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| | Qtr | Qtr | Qtr | Qtr | Qtr | Qtr | Qtr | Qtr |
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Milk Sale Price (Rs. per Litre) | | | | | | | | |
| Full Cream Milk (FCM) | 53.18 | 52.66 | 52.59 | 52.88 | 53.28 | 53.09 | 53.52 | 54.99 |
| Toned Milk (TM) | 42.29 | 42.33 | 42.22 | 43.97 | 44.18 | 42.86 | 42.96 | 45.86 |

Source: State Dairy Cooperatives

- (c) There has been an increase in the input cost as reported by milk unions, particularly the energy, logistics and packaging cost which have attributed to the increased consumer milk prices.
- (d) & (e) This Department is implementing following Dairy Development schemes across the country to strengthen dairy infrastructure of the Dairy Cooperatives to help improve price realization:
 - 1) National Programme for Dairy Development (NPDD)
 - 2) Dairy processing and Infrastructure Development Fund (DIDF)
 - 3) Supporting Dairy Cooperatives and Farmer Producer Organizations engaged in dairy activities (SDCFPO)
 - 4) Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF)
