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DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
LOK SABHA

ADMITTED QUESTION NO. 2438
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10TH DECEMBER, 2024

PANDEMIC FUND PROJECT

2438. SMT. KAMLESH JANGDE:
SHRI NABA CHARAN MAJHI:

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

- (a) the steps taken by the Government to strengthen India's pandemic response preparedness under the Pandemic Fund Project;
- (b) the manner in which the said initiative is likely to help reduce the risk of zoonotic diseases spreading from animals to human and the funds allocated therefor; and
- (c) the details of the number of people provided assistance by the Government in Chhattisgarh under the Pandemic Fund Project?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
(SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH)**

- (a) and (b) The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying has launched the G-20 Pandemic Fund Project on “Animal Health Security Strengthening in India for Pandemic Preparedness and Response” with a grant of 25 million USD on 25th October 2024. The major interventions under the proposal are strengthening and integrating disease surveillance and early warning system, upgrading, and expanding the laboratory network, improving the inter-operable data systems and building capacity for data analytics for risk analysis and risk communication, strengthening health security for transboundary animal diseases as well as zoonotic diseases and India’s role in regional cooperation through cross border collaboration.

Additionally, following steps have been taken to strengthen India’s pandemic preparedness and response:

- i. Department supports States/UTs under National Animal Disease Control Programme (NADCP) for vaccination against Foot & Mouth Disease (FMD), Brucellosis, PPR and CSF including serosurveillance and seromonitoring of the diseases. Rs 99.17 crore, 4.36 crore, 18.40 crore, 0.61 crore vaccine doses have been administered against for FMD, Brucellosis, PPR and CSF respectively.
- ii. Under the component of Assistance to States for Control of Animal Disease (ASCAD), Department supports States/UTs in regard to capacity building of State Biological Production

Units and Disease Diagnostic Laboratories, surveillance and monitoring of livestock diseases, Research & Innovation and Training with continuous veterinary education.

- iii. Additionally, financial support has been provided to States/UTs under ASCAD for the prevention and control of zoonotic diseases, including emergent and re-emergent diseases. Rs. 20401.25 lakhs and Rs. 7382.58 lakhs has been released under ASCAD during FY 2023-24 and 2024-25 respectively.

(c) Pandemic Fund Project has been launched on 25th October 2024 only. Further, the benefits under the Pandemic Fund Project is not directly provided to the farmers, however all the farmers involved in animal husbandry sector across the country including Chhattisgarh will be indirectly benefitting from the project.
