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

UNSTARRED DAIRY NO. 1880

TO BE ANSWERED ON 11th March, 2025

WELFARE ORGANIZATIONS

1880. SHRI BHOJRAJ NAG:

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

- (a) the special programmes or initiatives to be launched under the Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare;
- (b) the schemes to ensure the participation of farmers, dairy producers and animal welfare organisations in these activities;
- (c) whether any special training or capacity-building workshops shall be organised for veterinarians and animal caretakers and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether any financial incentives or grants proposed to be given to animal husbandry and animal welfare initiatives and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATES FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING (PROF. S.P. SINGH BAGHEL)

(a)&(b) As per Article 246(3) of the Constitution of India, animal Husbandry & animal welfare, fall under the jurisdiction of the State Government. Similarly, under Article 243(W) of the Constitution of India, local bodies are responsible for managing cattle pounds and Pinjrapoles. In addition to the schemes/programmes run by States/UTs, the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Govt. of India is implementing various schemes like Rashtriya Gokul Mission, National Livestock Mission, National Programme for Dairy Development, Livestock Health and Disease Control programme etc. Activities related to animal welfare are implemented as per the guidelines of Animal Welfare Board of India. A special campaign on Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare has been implemented during the period 14th January to 13th February. During this period, intensive campaign on the various animal husbandry development programme, animal welfare activities like health camps, vaccination camps, awareness on animal welfare etc. will be undertaken. The State Governments, Animal Welfare Organizations, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), Educational Institutions were requested to conduct workshops and Online Webinars, health camps, awareness Gosthis, Livestock Fair, various competitions like best milk production, animal show, competition amongst the school/colleges students on animal welfare and husbandry themes, special programmes for Gaushalas and NGOs dealing in animal welfare.

Further, the State Government conducted campaign through various meetings, Social and Print media, for ensuring participation of farmers. Orientation of farmers through Krishi Vigyan Kendra was also conducted. Apart from the aforementioned efforts, awareness creation through TV/Radio and Social media etc., organizing interactive classroom visits for students, design and distribute brochures or infographics etc. was undertaken as part of the celebration to ensure participation of farmers.

- (c) The State Governments are encouraged to organize capacity building and training activities as per the requirement during the specified month.
- (d) The State Government may avail funding under existing Central Government schemes such as National Livestock Mission, Rashtriya Gokul Mission and Livestock Health and Disease Control Schemes.
