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MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 4363
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19th AUGUST 2025

GOAT HUSBANDRY

4363. SHRI SUKANTA KUMAR PANIGRAHI:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government recognizes that Kandhamal district in Odisha, predominantly tribal and backward, relies heavily on goat husbandry for livelihood, with a need for genetic upgradation and productivity enhancement;
- (b) whether a proposal of 954.19 lakh has been received from the State Government of Odisha for establishing a Regional Goat Semen Station in Kandhamal district under the National Livestock Mission during FY 2025–26;
- (c) if so, the steps being taken by the Union Government to implement Artificial Insemination (AI) using frozen semen of elite breeds like Ganjam, Black Bengal, Beetal and Sirohi; and
- (d) whether the Government has any plans to integrate the initiative with schemes like AHIDF and RKVY to promote sustainable goat-based livelihood development in Kandhamal district ?

ANSWER

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

- (a). As per information received from Government of Odisha, Kandhamal District in Odisha is predominantly a tribal and backward district of Odisha and it relies on Goat Husbandry for livelihood with a need for genetic up-gradation and productivity enhancement.
- (b) No such proposal has been received for Kandhamal district, however, a proposal for Rs. 954.19 lakh has been received from the state Govt. of Odisha for establishing a Regional Goat Semen Station in Chiplima, Sambhalpur under National Livestock Mission during FY 2025-26 which could not be considered as it was not as per the revised NLM guidelines. As per guidelines, only one Regional Goat Semen Station is allowed per region and for the eastern region, one has already been sanctioned in West Bengal. The state of Odisha can avail benefits from this facility.
- (c) The state of Odisha is implementing Artificial Insemination (AI) using frozen semen of elite breeds like Ganjam and Black Bengal through their own funding. Out of 300 goat AI stations in state, 11 Goat AI stations are functioning in Kandhamal District. Also, the Central Government is implementing 'Submission on Genetic Improvement of Sheep and Goat Breeds' wherein there is a component named Propagation of Artificial Insemination in Sheep, Goat through existing cattle and buffalo Artificial Insemination centre.
- (d) Integration with the RKVY scheme(implemented by Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare) is not under consideration. Under the Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF), the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying facilitates dove tailing of various Central Sector and Centrally Sponsored Schemes to promote sustainable livestock-based livelihoods, including goat husbandry throughout the country including Kandhamal District. As of now, no proposal has been sanctioned for Kandhamal district.
