GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COOPERATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4367 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19th AUGUST, 2025

Dairy Cooperative Development in Gujarat

4367. Shri Devusinh Chauhan:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION (सहकारिता मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of dairy cooperative societies in Gujarat, including the contribution of Amul and other major cooperatives;
- (b) whether the Government has introduced any new policies or financial aid to enhance the dairy cooperative sector in Gujarat;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, and
- (d) the impact of these initiatives on milk production and dairy farmers' income in Gujarat?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION सहकारिता मंत्री (SHRI AMIT SHAH)

- (a): As per the National Cooperative Database (NCD) portal, there are 15,740 functional Dairy Cooperative Societies in Gujarat. Gujarat has a well-developed dairy cooperative network, led by the Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation Ltd. (GCMMF) (Amul), comprising 18 district unions and over 36 lakh members. Presently, Amul procures around 250 lakh litres of milk per day from Gujarat through its cooperative network, making Gujarat one of the leading milk-producing states in the country. Today, the brand 'Amul', owned by 36 lakh farmers, is India's largest FMCG entity with annual brand sales turnover of \$11 billion USD (INR 90,000 Crore). Amul has been ranked as the strongest food and dairy brand in the world and with its 24 billion packs sold annually, is also the most chosen brand in the world.
- (b) to (c): As per information provided by GCMMF, The Government, through schemes such as the National Programme for Dairy Development (NPDD), Dairy Processing and Infrastructure Development Fund (DIDF), and Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF), has provided assistance for infrastructure modernisation, value-addition facilities, breed improvement, fodder development, and capacity-building. In the last seven years, under NPDD, Gujarat has received grant support of ₹315 crore with a total project outlay of ₹515 crore, resulting in installation of 2,052 bulk milk coolers, 4,309 automatic milk collection systems, and 1,000 milk

adulteration detection machines. Projects under DIDF and AHIDF include processing plant expansion, UHT lines, and milk powder facilities.

Further, the Government of Gujarat has also implemented a scheme to generate employment among youth and farmers by providing assistance for establishing dairy farm units with 12 and 50 milch animals. Over the last seven years, under these schemes, the Government of Gujarat has provided support of ₹198.5 crore to milk producers of Gujarat.

(d): These measures have contributed to increasing milk procurement in Gujarat from about 50 lakh litres per day in 2001-02 to around 250 lakh litres per day in 2024-25 (5 times), along with significant improvement in dairy farmers' incomes and reduction in post-harvest losses. The milk prices paid to the farmers have increased by 140% in the last 15 years (from Rs. 400/kgFAT to Rs. 950/kgFAT avg. milk procurement prices). This has helped significantly to enhance the chilling capacity and milk procurement capacity of milk unions.
