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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1434 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09^{TH} DECEMBER, 2025

PROGRAMMES FOR LIVESTOCK FARMERS

1434. SHRI JAI PRAKASH:

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

- (a) whether awareness programs, training camps, vaccination, nutrition management and scientific animal husbandry campaigns are being organized by the Government regularly for livestock farmers in the Hisar Lok Sabha Constituency of Haryana;
- (b) whether it is fact that livestock farmers in many rural areas of the region are not receiving timely information on improved breeds, fodder development, artificial insemination and disease control;
- (c) whether the Government is contemplating upon conducting a comprehensive district-level awareness campaign, increasing the number of mobile veterinary units and expanding specialist training programmes in Hisar;
- (d) whether the Union Government proposes to provide additional support for these programmes under a specific budget or special scheme; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the time-limit fixed in this regard?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b) Animal Husbandry is a State subject, however, in order to supplement the efforts of the State Governments and Union Territories (UTs) to create awareness amongst Livestock farmers regarding vaccination, nutrition management, the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD), GoI has made awareness generation as integral part of the schemes like Rashtriya Gokul Mission, Livestock Health and Disease Control Programme, National Livestock Mission, National Programme for Dairy Development etc. as under:
 - I. Rashtriya Gokul Mission: Government of India is implementing Rashtriya Gokul Mission (RGM) since December 2014 for development and conservation of indigenous breeds, genetic upgradation of bovine population and

enhancement of milk production and productivity across the country including Haryana. One of the components of the scheme is organization of farmer awareness programmes including organization of fertility camps, milk yield competition, calf rallies and farmer training programme. Latest breeding technologies are being made accessible to farmers including Artificial Insemination (AI) with sex sorted semen, Bovine In-Vitro Fertilization (IVF), and genomic selection. Further, funds have been released to the States for generating awareness among farmers under the component of Nationwide AI Programme.

- II. Livestock Health & Disease Control Programme (LHDCP): - DAHD, GoI is supporting the States/UTs to increase livestock productivity and augmenting livestock health care through the implementation of Livestock Health & Disease Control Programme (LHDCP), which is a Central Sector Scheme, in all States/UTs, with the aim of reducing risk to animal health by prophylactic vaccination against diseases of animals, capacity building of Veterinary services, disease surveillance, training and awareness, strengthening Veterinary infrastructure etc. The major activities supported are vaccination against Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD), Brucellosis, Peste des Petits Ruminants Swine (PPR) Classical Fever (CSF) under 100% assistance, Assistance to States for Control of Animal Disease (ASCAD) for control of state prioritized animal diseases including 100 % financial assistance to States/UTs for awareness training and publicity on Good Animal Husbandry Practices and Veterinary care.
- III. National Livestock Mission: The DAHD, GoI is implementing Centrally Sponsored Scheme 'National Livestock Mission' with a Sub Mission on Feed and Fodder Development. The Scheme is operational all over the country since 2014-15. The Mission was realigned in July 2021 and modified in March 2024. The Sub-Mission on feed and fodder is having following components:
 - i. Assistance for Quality Fodder Seed Production
 - ii. Entrepreneurial activities in feed and fodder
- iii. Establishment of Entrepreneurs for Fodder Seed processing Infrastructure (processing and grading unit/ fodder seed storage godown)
- iv. Fodder production from Non-Forest Wasteland/Rangeland/Non-arable Land and Fodder Production from Forest Land

Besides, Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)-Indian Grassland and Fodder Research Institute Jhansi has prepared Fodder Resource Development Plans for 29 States which has been circulated to them for its implementation.

Further, as per the information received from the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Govt. of Haryana, 166 livestock farmers have been provided 11-day training on Dairy/Piggery/Sheep/Goat at block-level Veterinary Hospitals, and a total of 178 Infertility-Health Camps have been organized at Veterinary Institutions during the current FY 2025-26 in the Hisar Lok Sabha Constituency.

The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has also established three Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) in the Hisar Lok Sabha Constituency—KVKs of Hisar,

Bhiwani and Jind districts—for disseminating new technologies in Agriculture and Allied sectors, including Animal Husbandry. These KVKs carry out technology assessment, demonstrations, and capacity-building programmes for State Government extension functionaries and farmers. As part of their mandate, the KVKs impart training to farmers, farm women, and rural youth, and organize various extension activities across different aspects of agriculture and allied sectors.

Moreover, the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India, has also conducted two virtual awareness programmes through Common Service Centres (CSC) for livestock farmers, under which 66 camps have been organized in Hisar district, Haryana, during the current year 2025-26.

(c) to (e) Under the component Establishment and Strengthening of Veterinary Hospitals & Dispensaries – Mobile Veterinary Units (ESVHD-MVU) of the Livestock Health and Disease Control Programme, 70 Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs) are currently operational in Haryana. Further, under the Livestock Health & Disease Control Programme (LHDCP), funds are provided annually to the State Government under the Assistance to States for Control of Animal Disease (ASCAD) component for training purposes.