

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION No. \*60  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 3<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY 2026

**PROJECTS UNDER AHIDF IN TAMIL NADU**

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

- (a) the details and total number of projects sanctioned under the Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF) in Tamil Nadu so far including Tiruvannamalai and Kanchipuram districts;
- (b) whether the Union Government has taken any measures to encourage Farmer Producer Organisations (FPO), Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and private entrepreneurs in Tiruvannamalai and Kanchipuram to avail benefits under AHIDF;
- (c) if so, the details of such facilitation measures including credit linkage, handholding and technical support;
- (d) whether any steps have been taken by the Government to promote small-scale milk processing units, value addition and cold chain infrastructure in rural and semi-urban areas of these districts, if so, the details thereof, district-wise; and
- (e) whether awareness, capacity-building or training programmes have been conducted in Tiruvannamalai and Kanchipuram to popularise the scheme among farmers, FPOs and MSMEs, if so, the number of programmes conducted?

**A N S W E R**

**MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING**

**(SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH)**

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 60 PART (a) to (e) ON PROJECTS UNDER AHIDF IN TAMIL NADU TO BE ANSWERED ON 3<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026.**

(a) A total of 42 projects with the project cost of Rs. 2321.29 Crores have been approved under the Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF) scheme in Tamil Nadu. No projects have been approved from the districts of Tiruvannamalai and Kanchipuram of Tamil Nadu; though 22 projects were received from these districts, they were ineligible as per the guidelines. The district wise details of the projects approved in Tamil Nadu are as follows.

| <b>District Wise Approved Projects in Tamil Nadu under AHIDF</b> |                      |                          |                     |
|--|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>S No</b>  | <b>District Name</b> | <b>Approved Projects</b> | <b>Project Cost</b> |
|  |                      | <b>(Nos.)</b>            | <b>(In Cr.)</b>     |
| 1  | Coimbatore           | 8                        | 123.01              |
| 2  | Dharmapuri           | 1                        | 75.13               |
| 3  | Dindigul             | 8                        | 197.35              |
| 4  | Erode                | 5                        | 1,333.45            |
| 5  | Karur                | 2                        | 93.8                |
| 6  | Krishnagiri          | 5                        | 67.79               |
| 7  | Namakkal             | 2                        | 92.58               |
| 8  | Perambalur           | 1                        | 0.34                |
| 9  | Salem                | 1                        | 140.14              |
| 10   | Tiruppur             | 8                        | 193.89              |
| 11   | Virudhunagar         | 1                        | 3.81                |
| <b>Total</b>   |                      | <b>42</b>                | <b>2321.29</b>      |

(b)&(c) Under Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF) scheme, applications are received and processed through an end to end digitized online portal (ahidf.udyamimitra.in), which has been integrated with the Common Service Centre portal for easier facilitation of applicants including FPOs, Cooperatives and MSMEs. Furthermore, in particular to support MSMEs & small scale units, the rate of interest is capped at EBLR + 200 basis points for MSMEs, and credit guarantee facility of 25% of total borrowings is available to them. Also, model DPRs are made available on the portal for their convenience. Projects of 1 FPO, 2 Cooperatives, 22 MSMEs, 15 private Companies and 2 individual entrepreneurs have been approved under AHIDF in Tamil Nadu.

(d) Under AHIDF, 10 projects with the project cost of Rs 1645.17 crore along with erstwhile DIDF (Dairy cooperatives), 4 projects with the project cost of Rs 285.82 crores have been

approved for incentivizing the Dairy infrastructure for all eligible entities so far. Further, under NPDD, 10 projects have been approved in Tamil Nadu with the total project cost of Rs 30009.45 lakh with a central share of Rs. 20844.86 lakh and out of this an amount of Rs.19219.275 lakh has been released to Tamil Nadu Cooperative Milk Producers Federation Ltd. for implementation of the projects.

(e) For creating awareness and capacity building, the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD) conducts regular outreach programmes, regional workshops, and review meetings at both Central and State levels to enhance stakeholder awareness. Nodal officers have been designated at the State Animal Husbandry Departments and Bank to facilitate beneficiary support and create awareness in the field level.