GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1309

TO BE ANSWERED ON 30th JULY 2024

MILK PRODUCTION IN KOSHI

1309. SHRI DINESH CHANDRA YADAV:

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

- (a) whether the Koshi area of Bihar is playing a leading role in milk production;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to set up a Dairy Plant in Saharsa-Madhepura keeping in view the abundant milk production in Koshi area; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & DAIRYING (SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH)

(a)&(b) Yes, Koshi region of Bihar plays a significant role in the state's milk production. The rich agricultural land and a large population of livestock in this region provide the scope for growth of milk production. Looking growth of milk production, Bihar State Milk Cooperative Federation Ltd. (COMFED), Patna has expanded its operations in Kosi region through Kosi Dugdh Utpadak Sahkari Sangh Ltd., Supaul. Dairy plant by expanding from 1 lakh liters Per Day (LLPD) to 2 LLPD with assistance from the State Government which covers three districts Saharsa, Supaul and Madhepura. In addition, Kosi Dugdh Utpadak Sahkari Sangh Ltd., Supaul received support under the central sector scheme-National Programme for Dairy Development (NPDD) for the establishment of Bulk Milk Coolers (BMCs), Data Processor-based Milk Collection Units (DPMCUs) and Electronic Milk Adulteration Testing Machines.

(c) Not arise in view of above.