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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5012 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01st April, 2025

MOBILE VETERINARY UNITS (MVUS)

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Will the Minister of FISHERIES ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to State:

- (a) the total number of veterinary hospitals, dispensaries and Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs) operational, State-wise and district-wise in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the total number of new veterinary hospitals, dispensaries and MVUs sanctioned alongwith the funds allocated, released and utilized for these facilities during the last five years, State-wise and district-wise in Andhra Pradesh:
- (c) the availability of veterinarians and support staff in Andhra Pradesh and the shortage of veterinarians in the State:
- (d) the measures taken to address the shortage;
- (e) whether any assessments or reviews have been conducted regarding the effectiveness of MVUs in delivering veterinary healthcare services at farmers' doorsteps, if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of any pending proposals from Andhra Pradesh for additional MVUs, veterinary hospitals, dispensaries or financial assistance under Establishment and Strengthening of Veterinary Hospitals and Dispensaries and action taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

- (a) As per the information provided by the State of Andhra Pradesh, there are 337 Veterinary Hospitals, 1577 Veterinary Dispensaries, 1558 Veterinary Aid Centers. Total 340 Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs) provided under Livestock Health and Disease Control Program (LHDCP) are operationalised in the State. State-wise list of Veterinary Institutions and MVUs are placed at Annexure-I & II. District wise list of Veterinary institutions and MVUs in Andhra Pradesh is placed at Annexure-III.
- (b) Animal Husbandry is a State subject, and the establishment of veterinary hospitals, dispensaries falls under the purview of the State government. Total 340 MVUs were sanctioned under LHDCP scheme of Government of India in 2021-22 and are operationalised. The Establishment and Strengthening of Veterinary Hospital & Dispensaries-Mobile Veterinary Unit (ESVHD-MVU) of LHDCP was launched in the year 2021-22 and fund released directly to States/UTs; no district-wise data available. The details of funds released to the States/UTs and the State of Andhra Pradesh are placed Annexure-III and Annexure-IV under the scheme.

- (c) and (d) Animal Husbandry is a state subject, and the recruitment of manpower falls under the jurisdiction of the respective State governments. According to information received from the State, there is a shortage of veterinarians. Recruitment proposals for the posts of Veterinary Assistant Surgeons were submitted to the State Government on 17th February 2025. Currently, there are 2,403 veterinarians available, while there is a shortage to 340 posts.
- (e) The Department evaluates the effectiveness of MVUs through review meetings, state visits, and by assessing the State Action Plan. The evaluation is based on parameters such as funds utilized, the number of farmers benefitted, and animals treated. Under the LHDCP, a total of 4,016 MVUs are operational across 28 States/UTs, benefitting 75.78 lakh farmers and treating 1.58 crore animals. In Andhra Pradesh alone, 340 MVUs have been made operational under the scheme, benefitting 17.72 lakh farmers and treating 19.11 lakh animals.

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Annexure-I
State -wise list of Veterinary Hospitals, Veterinary Dispensaries in the Country

Sl. No.	State/UTs	Veterinary Hospitals/Polyclinic	Veterinary Dispensaries
1	Andhra Pradesh	337	1577
2	Arunachal Pradesh	16	183
3	Assam	21	431
4	Bihar	1096	39
5	Chhattisgarh	364	847
6	Goa	5	25
7	Gujarat	34	891
8	Haryana	1050	1815
9	Himachal Pradesh	466	1762
10	Jammu & Kashmir	19	1256
11	Jharkhand	35	424
12	Karnataka	697	2176
13	Kerala	279	870
14	Madhya Pradesh	1063	1583
15	Maharashtra	39	1976
16	Manipur	59	151
17	Meghalaya	4	126
18	Mizoram	11	67
19	Nagaland	13	55
20	Odisha	62	479
21	Punjab	1389	1489
22	Rajasthan	3066	7167
23	Sikkim	23	74
24	Tamil Nadu	182	2766
25	Telangana	107	909
26	Tripura	16	65
27	Uttarakhand	331	10
28	Uttar Pradesh	2208	267
29	West Bengal	113	616
30	A&N Islands***	10	13
31	Chandigarh	5	9
32	Ladakh	4	9
33	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman &Diu	1	2
34	Delhi	48	29
35	Lakshadweep	0	9
36	Puducherry	0	17
	All India	13173	30184

Source : Basic Animal Husbandry Statics 2024 table 76 page 207

State-wise list of MVUs sanctioned and operationalized in the Country under the ${\bf ESVHD\text{-}MVU}$

S.I.	States	No of MVUs Sanctioned	No of MVUs Operational	Total fund sanctioned & released (Amount in cr.) as on 31.01.2025
1	A&N Islands***	5	0	0
2	Andhra Pradesh	340	340	84.09
3	Arunachal Pradesh	25	25	6.06
4	Assam	159	159	46.73
5	Bihar	307	307	54.57
6	Chhattisgarh	163	163	38.98
7	Delhi	3	0	0
8	Goa	2	2	0.26
9	Gujarat	127	127	11.83
10	Haryana	70	70	15.98
11	Himachal Pradesh	44	44	8.74
12	Jammu & Kashmir*	6	50	13.33
13	Jharkhand	236	236	37.76
14	Karnataka	275	275	76.66
15	Kerala	29	29	7.25
16	Ladakh	9	9	2.01
17	Lakshadweep**	9	0	0
18	Madhya Pradesh	406	406	134.08
19	Maharashtra	80	80	15.6
20	Manipur	33	33	5.28
21	Meghalaya	17	17	4.66
22	Mizoram	26	26	7.56
23	Nagaland	16	16	3.29
24	Odisha**	181	0	0
25	Puducherry	4	4	0.87
26	Punjab**	70	0	0
27	Rajasthan	536	536	133.88
28	Sikkim	6	6	2.95
29	Tamil Nadu	245	245	42.21
30	Telangana**	100	0	0
31	Tripura	13	13	3.27
32	Uttar Pradesh	520	520	161.75
33	Uttarakhand	60	60	23.59
34	West Bengal	218	218	54.35
	Total	4340	4016	997.59

^{*}For Union Territory at Sr No. 14 (Jammu & Kashmir), Central Government is bearing the recurrent expenditure for 44 MVUs purchased by Union Territory.

^{**} Union Territory & States at Sr No. 19, 26, 28, 32 (Lakshadweep, Odisha, Punjab & Telangana respectively) returned the fund released after sanctioned.

^{***} Request for fund from A&N Islands yet to be received

Annexure-III

District wise list of Veterinary Hospitals, Veterinary Dispensaries and MVUs in Andhra

Pradesh

S.No	District	Veterinary Hospitals	Veterinary Dispensaries	MVUs
1	ALLURI SITARAMA RAJU	9	41	6
2	ANAKAPALLI	13	67	13
3	ANANTAPUR	15	56	14
4	ANNAMAYYA	15	70	13
5	BAPATLA	10	65	12
6	CHITTOOR	14	68	12
7	Dr.B.R.AMBEDHKAR KONASEEMA	11	63	13
8	EAST GODAVARI	9	38	14
9	ELURU	11	6 6	13
10	GUNTUR	9	45	14
11	KAKINADA	10	54	15
12	KRISHNA	13	59	13
13	KURNOOL	11	66	14
14	NANDYAL	15	74	13
15	NTR	9	43	12
16	PALNADU	14	64	14
17	PARVATHIPURAM MANYAM	7	38	6
18	PRAKASAM	18	84	17
19	SPSR NELLORE	19	89	19
20	SRI SATYASAI	15	66	14
21	SRIKAKULAM	15	77	18
22	TIRUPATI	17	77	14
23	VISAKHAPATNAM	3	17	10
24	VIZIANAGARAM	13	65	13
25	WEST GODAVARI	11	46	11
26	YSR	17	79	13
	Grand Total	323	1577	340

Annexure-IV

The details of funds released to the state of Andhra Pradesh under ESVHD-MVU of LHDCP from 2021-22 onward is placed

Year	Fund released (Rs. in lakhs)
2021-22	7113
2022-23	963.5
2023-24	2005.04
2024-25 (till 26.03.2025)	3636.23
Total	13717.77

 $^{\ ^*}$ ESVHD-MVU of LHDCP scheme was launched in the year 2021-22, hence information is available for the last 4 years