

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

STARRED QUESTION. No. 265
ANSWERED ON 12TH AUGUST, 2026

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AHIDF IN GUJARAT AND MAHARASHTRA

***265 SHRI BABUBHAI JESANGBHAI DESAI:**

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has incentivized projects related to dairy processing, animal feed, manufacturing of vaccine and 'waste to wealth' under the Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF), particularly in Gujarat and Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details regarding the achievements in these two States concerning sanctioned projects, investment, employment generation and the promotion of rural entrepreneurship; and
- (c) whether Government is considering any new comprehensive action plan to expand value addition, increase in farmers' income, private investment, bank credit and interest subvention in the animal husbandry sector and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

(SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH)

(a) to (c) A statement laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 265 PART (a) to (c) ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AHIDF IN GUJARAT AND MAHARASHTRA ANSWERED ON 12.08.2026

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c) Under Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF) 3% interest subvention is provided to the eligible entities on the term loan to establish the following infrastructures:

(i) dairy processing and value addition (ii) meat processing and value addition (iii) animal feed plant (iv) breed improvement technology and breed multiplication farm (v) veterinary vaccine and drugs production facilities (vi) animal waste to wealth management and (vii) primary wool processing.

Following are the details of sanctioned projects, investment, employment generation, interest subvention in Gujarat and Maharashtra since 2020-21 to till date:

(i) Gujarat:

Category	Number of Projects	Project Cost (₹ In Cr.)	Interest Subvention Released (₹ In Cr.)	Employment Opportunities Generated	No. of Farmers Benefitted
Animal Feed Plant	3	58.60	2.58	70	4,399
Animal Waste to Wealth Management (Agri waste management)	1	83.00	2.36	40	0
Dairy Processing & Value Addition	18	3,078.74	63.74	3,793	1,04,212
Setting up of Veterinary Vaccine and Drugs Production Facilities	1	55.05	1.30	54	0
Grand Total	23	3,275.39	69.98	3,957	1,08,611

(ii) Maharashtra:

Category	Number of Projects	Project Cost (₹ in Cr.)	Interest Subvention Released (₹ in Cr.)	Employment Opportunities Generated	No. of Farmers Benefitted
Animal Feed Plant	28	433.81	12.57	1,911	3,35,281
Dairy Processing & Value Addition	52	3,340.22	90.25	6,283	12,34,318
Setting up of Veterinary Vaccine and Drugs Production Facilities	1	22.00	1.06	50	0
Grand Total	81	3,796.03	103.88	8,244	15,69,599

Hon'ble Finance Minister at para of 77 of Union Budget 2026-27 has announced "To provide quality employment opportunities in rural and peri-urban areas, we will support the Sector in Animal Husbandry entrepreneurship development through: (i) a Credit-Linked Subsidy Programme (ii) scaling-up and modernization of livestock enterprises (iii) enhance creation of livestock, dairy and poultry-focused integrated-value chains and (iv) encourage creation of Livestock Farmer Producers Organizations."

To implement the announcement of Hon'ble Finance Minister, the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying has prepared Expenditure Finance Committee Memorandum and submitted to Department of Expenditure for approval.

The Government is also implementing scheme for breed improvement to increase production and productivity of animals which is helping in increasing farmers' income.
