

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1921
TO BE ANSWERED ON 1ST AUGUST, 2023

LIVESTOCK FEED AND FODDER

**1921. SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY:
SHRI N. REDDEPPA:**

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

- (a) the details of the steps being taken by the Government to increase the quality and quantity of livestock feed and fodder in the country;
- (b) whether the Government is taking steps for breed improvement and bringing awareness about genetic upgradation and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government aims to provide skill based training about updated technology to reduce cost of production and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government aims to provide infrastructure and linkage for marketing, processing and value addition, as forward linkage for the farmer's enterprise and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)**

(a) The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying Government of India has been supplementing the efforts made by the State Governments by implementing Centrally Sponsored Scheme National Livestock Mission with a Sub Mission on Feed and Fodder Development since 2014-15. The scheme has been realigned in July 2021 with objective to enhance feed and fodder availability with following two components namely (i) Assistance for Quality Fodder Seeds Production, and, ii) Entrepreneurial Development Programme on Feed and Fodder.

Besides above, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (DA&FW) is implementing the Central Sector Scheme "Formation and Promotion of 10,000 Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs)" through National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) as implementing agency to form and promote 100 FPOs, primarily fodder centric FPOs.

Indian Grassland and Fodder Research Institute (IGFRI- ICAR) has also prepared Fodder Development Plan for 25 States to enhance fodder availability in the States based on their cropping pattern and livestock species.

(b) to (d) Yes Sir, The Central Government is implementing Centrally Sponsored Scheme National Livestock Mission since 2014-15. The scheme has been re-aligned in July 2021 with following three Sub Missions:

- (i) Sub Mission on Breed Development of livestock and poultry
- (ii) Sub Mission on Feed and Fodder Development
- (iii) Sub Mission on Innovation and Extension.

The Mission aims to provide skill based training and dissemination of technologies for reducing cost of production and improving production of the livestock sector. The Mission also aims to provide infrastructure and linkage for marketing, processing and value addition,

as forward linkage for poultry, sheep and goat, piggery and feed and fodder sector. Besides, the Government is also implementing the Scheme of Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF), for incentivizing investments for providing infrastructure, processing and value addition.

The Department is also implementing Rashtriya Gokul Mission (RGM) for development and conservation of indigenous bovine breeds, genetic up gradation of bovine population, enhancement of milk production and productivity and thereby making dairying more remunerative to farmers.
