

to study the programmes, and examine the extent to which they can be replicated elsewhere.

- (c) Within two months.
- (d) Does not arise.

National Policy on Cattle Wealth

*115. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are considering to frame a national policy on cattle wealth of the country;
- (b) if so, by when Government propose to place such a policy before the House;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the cattle wealth of the country is decreasing every year; and
- (e) if so, State-wise figures for the last three years from 1996-97?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) Formulation of a National Livestock Policy is being contemplated."

- (b) It is not possible to lay down any specific time limit by which the National Livestock Policy is finally adopted.
- (c) Question does not arise.
- (d) The Quinquennial livestock census do not show any decline in the number of cattle in the country.
- (e) Annual cattle censuses are not conducted.