

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARUN YADAV): (a) Price of milk has increased mainly due to increase in the costs of production, transportation and labour. This Department does not have any information on milk being out of reach of children of poor families who are already malnourished due to increase in price. However, Government is regularly monitoring and taking necessary steps to maintain the availability of milk and milk products at reasonable price in the country.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

#### **Promotion of dairy-based industries**

1717. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has considered promotion of dairy based industries in the North-East on the lines of Amul;

(b) whether dairy based industries have been given grants in the last three years; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARUN YADAV): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir.

The Department is implementing following four Schemes for dairy sector, wherein financial assistance is given for approved projects under the Schemes:

1. Centrally Sponsored Scheme-Intensive Dairy Development Programme
2. Centrally Sponsored Scheme-Strengthening Infrastructure for Quality and Clean Milk Production
3. Central Sector Scheme-Assistance to Cooperatives
4. Central Sector Scheme-Dairy Venture Capital Fund/Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme

A statement indicating scheme-wise total fund released and fund released for States of North Eastern Region during last three years i.e, from the year 2007-08 to 2009-10 is given in the Statement.

**Statement**

*Details of scheme-wise total fund and released and fund released for  
States of North Eastern Region during last three years*

(Rs in Crore)

Name of Dairy Development Scheme	Fund released during					
	2007-08		2008-09		2009-10	
	Total	NER *	Total	NER *	Total	NER *
Centrally Sponsored Scheme- Intensive Dairy Development Programme	34.56	5.40	31.48	4.70	31.64	6.00
Centrally Sponsored Scheme- Strengthening Infrastructure for Quality and Clean Milk Production	20.89	0.40	21.29	0.16	21.76	0.24
Central Sector Scheme- Assistance to Cooperatives	5.05	0.00	9.00	0.45	11.20	3.20
Central Sector Scheme- Dairy Venture Capital Fund (DVCF) /Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme(DEDS)	33.36	8.55	39.71	3.87	48.16	5.47
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>93.86</b>	<b>14.35</b>	<b>101.48</b>	<b>9.18</b>	<b>112.76</b>	<b>14.91</b>

\*NER-States of North Eastern Region

**Crop insurance scheme in Bihar**

1718. SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount distributed and sanctioned under Farmer Crops Insurance Scheme in last three years including current year in Bihar; and

(b) the number of farmers benefited under this scheme in the above period and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARUN YADAV): (a) and (b) No State-wise allocation/release is made under the National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS) and Pilot Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (WBCIS). Details of claims settled and farmers benefited during last three years and current year under these schemes in Bihar is given as under: