

Dry matter in million tonnes

Sl.No.	Feed	Demand	Availability	Gap
1.	Dry Fodder	416	253	163 (40%)
2.	Greens	222	143	79 (36%)
3.	Concentrate	53	23	30 (57%)

(c) The country is envisaging growth in milk production and meat production in the next one year.

(d) Government of India is implementing the Centrally Sponsored Fodder and Feed Development Scheme, under which 75 % Central Assistance is provided to the States for fodder seed procurement and distribution. In addition, the National Dairy Plan, the Accelerated Fodder Development Programme, and Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana also provide funds for enhancing seed output to beat the fodder crisis. The regional fodder stations of Government of India also assist the States in augmenting production of fodder and fodder seeds by way of demonstrations, training, and supply of fodder seeds.

Revival of closed cold storage

‡3439. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cold storages in the country including in the State of Uttarakhand which have been established after 1980 in the agricultural sector;

(b) whether the cold storage constructed in Champawat district of Uttarakhand is being used for storage of fruits and vegetables produced by farmers;

(c) if not, the time since when this cold storage is not in operation;

(d) whether Government has ever paid attention to the closed cold storages in the country; and

(e) if not, the steps to be taken by Government to make these closed cold storages operational again?

‡ Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TARIQ ANWAR) : (a) to (e) There are 4222 cold storages in the country including the State of Uttarakhand, which have been established after 1980.

As informed by the Government of Uttarakhand the cold storage constructed in Champawat district has been given on lease to Vivekananda Parvatiya Krishi Anusandhan Sansthan, Almora under the aegis of Indian Council of Agricultural Research for research purposes.

Department of Agriculture and Cooperation is implementing schemes namely National Horticulture Mission and Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States for overall development of horticulture sector including establishment of cold storages in the country. Under these schemes, assistance is provided for construction, expansion and modernization of cold storages. In addition, National Horticulture Board provides assistance for establishment and modernization of cold storages.

Assistance to Gaushalas

3440. SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Central Government has prepared any scheme to give assistance to Gaushalas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of the Gaushalas in the country; State-wise;

(d) the details of funds provided to the States during the last three years, Statewise;

(e) whether any Board has been constituted in Jammu and Kashmir at State level for assistance to Gaushala; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. CHARAN DAS MAHANT) : (a) and (b) There is no scheme in the Deptt. of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries to provide assistance to Gaushalas. However,