

Selection of agriculture scientists

†3391. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the selection criteria followed to recruit agriculture scientists in the country;
- (b) whether a multi-member Agriculture Scientists Recruitment Board has been entrusted with the responsibility to select agriculture scientists and if so, the details thereof including the areas wherefrom these members are selected; and
- (c) whether certain members and chairman hold their office despite expiring of their tenure, if so, the details thereof and remedial steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT): (a) Based on the model qualifications as approved by the Governing Body of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), the Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board (ASRB) conducts an All India Written Examination followed by viva-voce for recruiting Scientists at the entry level. All other senior scientific positions are filled up based on interview as per prescribed procedures.

(b) Yes, Sir. The ASRB is a three-member board constituted with the approval of Union Cabinet. The Chairman and two other Members of ASRB are required to possess specialization in the following three major areas of agricultural sciences:—

- (i) Crop Sciences
- (ii) Animal Sciences and
- (iii) Soil Sciences, Engineering and Production Technology

(c) No, Sir.

Decline in livestock population

3392. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH NAGAR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the 19th Livestock Census shows an overall decline in the total livestock population as compared to the previous Census of 2007, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the details of livestock population by species as per the latest Census, State-wise?

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT): (a) Yes. As per the 19th Livestock Census 2012, the total livestock population has declined from 529.70 million in 2007 to 512.06 million in 2012. The livestock population, species-wise, is given below.

Livestock Population during 2007-12 — All India

(in Million Numbers)		
Species	2007	2012
1. Cattle	199.08	190.90
2. Buffaloes	105.34	108.70
3. Sheep	71.56	65.07
4. Goats	140.54	135.17
5. Horses and ponies	0.61	0.63
6. Camels	0.52	0.40
7. Pigs	11.13	10.29
8. Mules	0.14	0.20
9. Donkeys	0.44	0.32
10. Yaks	0.08	0.08
TOTAL	529.70	512.06

(b) The details of livestock population by species as per the latest Census, State-wise, is given in Statement.

Statement*State-wise details of livestock population by species as per the latest Census*

Sl. No.	States/UTs	Cattle	Buffaloes	Sheep	Goats	Pigs	Horses and ponies	Mules	Donkeys	Camel	Yaks	Mithun	Total Livestock
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1.	Andhra Pradesh	9595.94	10622.79	26395.58	9071.22	394.36	5.19	0.74	13.43	0.15	0.00	0.00	56099.41
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	463.76	5.97	13.55	305.54	356.35	4.03	0.33	0.04	0.05	14.06	249.00	1412.67
3.	Assam	10307.60	435.27	518.07	6169.19	1636.02	14.15	0.09	1.05	0.73	0.00	0.00	19082.17
4.	Bihar	12231.52	7567.23	232.47	12153.52	649.71	48.85	25.06	21.38	8.86	0.00	0.00	32938.60
5.	Chhattisgarh	9814.90	1390.55	168.22	3225.31	439.06	2.96	1.62	0.68	0.65	0.00	0.00	15043.94
6.	Goa	57.48	31.80	0.02	12.96	43.57	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	145.85
7.	Gujarat	9983.95	10385.57	1707.75	4958.97	4.28	18.26	0.16	38.83	30.42	0.00	0.00	27128.20
8.	Haryana	1808.12	6085.31	1362.62	369.12	126.95	36.66	9.01	2.90	18.85	0.00	0.00	8819.52
9.	Himachal Pradesh	2149.26	716.02	804.87	1119.49	5.03	15.08	23.32	7.35	0.18	2.92	0.92	4844.43
10.	Jammu and Kashmir	2798.33	738.99	3389.49	2017.90	2.42	144.49	36.51	17.25	0.93	54.49	0.06	9200.84
11.	Jharkhand	8730.08	1185.94	582.93	6581.45	962.37	5.71	3.89	0.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	18052.75

12.	Karnataka	9516.48	3470.51	9583.76	4796.15	304.80	12.98	0.76	16.31	0.15	0.00	0.00	27701.90
13.	Kerala	1328.63	102.27	1.45	1246.08	55.78	0.22	0.23	0.50	0.01	0.00	0.00	2735.16
14.	Madhya Pradesh	19602.37	8187.99	308.95	8013.94	175.25	18.80	6.99	14.92	3.42	0.00	0.00	36332.63
15.	Maharashtra	15484.21	5594.39	2580.38	8435.31	325.76	37.29	2.01	29.14	0.18	0.00	0.00	32488.65
16.	Manipur	263.84	66.37	11.46	65.16	277.22	1.10	0.37	0.13	0.00	0.00	10.13	695.77
17.	Meghalaya	896.00	22.06	20.10	473.07	543.38	2.31	0.18	0.52	0.01	0.00	0.00	1957.63
18.	Mizoram	34.57	5.17	0.65	22.21	245.24	0.72	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.29	311.86
19.	Nagaland	234.97	32.72	3.84	99.35	503.69	0.47	1.12	0.04	0.09	0.00	34.87	911.16
20.	Odisha	11621.27	726.31	1581.13	6513.09	280.32	3.40	5.63	0.52	0.84	0.00	0.00	20732.50
21.	Punjab	2427.71	5159.73	128.53	327.27	32.22	32.86	5.16	2.91	0.69	0.00	0.00	8117.10
22.	Rajasthan	13324.46	12976.10	9079.70	21665.94	237.67	37.78	3.38	81.47	325.71	0.00	0.00	57732.20
23.	Sikkim	140.47	0.70	2.63	113.36	29.91	0.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.04	0.00	291.63
24.	Tamil Nadu	8814.04	780.43	4786.68	8143.34	183.98	5.30	0.00	9.18	0.02	0.00	0.00	22722.98
25.	Tripura	948.79	10.81	3.11	610.92	362.53	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1936.18
26.	Uttar Pradesh	19557.07	30625.33	1353.65	15585.62	1334.39	151.85	42.66	56.64	7.94	0.00	0.00	68715.15
27.	Uttarakhand	2006.05	987.78	368.76	1367.41	19.91	16.36	26.90	1.51	0.00	0.06	0.00	4794.73
28.	West Bengal	16514.24	597.38	1076.12	11505.95	648.11	4.41	0.11	0.61	0.27	1.09	0.00	30348.28
29.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	45.63	7.86	0.00	65.32	35.92	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	154.75

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
30.	Chandigarh	8.96	14.03	0.07	0.81	0.14	0.19	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24.20
31.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	41.87	4.06	0.12	4.17	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.24
32.	Daman and Diu	2.10	0.43	0.00	2.06	0.01	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	'-0.00	4.63
33.	Delhi	86.43	162.14	0.93	30.47	76.35	2.69	0.14	1.09	0.16	0.00	0.00	360.40
34.	Lakshadweep	3.10	0.00	0.00	46.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	49.60
35.	Puducherry	59.90	2.11	1.60	54.95	1.01	0.03	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	119.61
	All India	190904.11	108702.12	65069.19	135173.09	10293.70	624.73	196.38	318.79	400.27	76.66	298.26	512057.30

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