

- (i) Rashtriya Gokul Mission has been initiated from December, 2014 as a part of National Programme for Bovine Breeding and Dairy Development exclusively for the development and conservation of indigenous bovine breeds including indigenous breeds of cattle.
- (ii) National Dairy Plan-I, a World Bank assisted project has been implemented in 18 major dairy States covering development and conservation of 12 indigenous breeds of cattle and buffaloes namely (i) Gir (ii) Kankrej (in) Tharparkar (iv) Sahiwal (v) Rathi and (vi) Haryana cattle breeds and (i) Murrah (ii) Mehsana (iii) Pandharpuri (iv) Jaffarabadi (v) Banni and (vi) Nili Ravi buffalo breeds.
- (iii) Government has initiated a comprehensive scheme, National Mission on Bovine Productivity (NMBP) with an allocation of ₹825 crore. The scheme covers the following four components:—
 - (a) Pashu Sanjivni
 - (b) Advanced Reproductive Technique
 - (c) E-Pashuhaat
 - (d) National Bovine Genomic Centre for Indigenous Breeds (NBGC-IB).
- (iv) Government has also established three subordinate organizations namely (a) Central Cattle Breeding Farms (b) Central Herd registration Scheme units and (c) Central Frozen Semen Production and Training Institute. These organizations are also undertaking development and conservation of indigenous breeds namely (i) Tharparkar (ii) Red Sindhi (iii) Gir (iv) Kankrej (v) Ongole (vi) Hariana and (vii) Rathi breed of Cattle and (i) Surti (ii) Murrah (iii) Mehsana and (iv) Jaffarabadi breeds of buffaloes.

(b) Emphasis is given by Government of India for the development and conservation of indigenous breeds. However, States as per their breeding policy and breeding plan are also undertaking crossbreeding of small proportion of nondescript cattle population through use of exotic breeds viz. Jersey and Holstein Friesian.

Production of copra

1777. SHRI T.K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total production of copra in the country;

(b) whether there is any export of copra, if so, the countries to which it is exported and the foreign exchange realized therefrom;

(c) whether there is any Minimum Support Price fixed for it by the Central Government; and

(d) whether Government has any proposals to procure copra from the cultivators for export purposes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA): (a) As per First Advance Estimates for 2016-17, the total production of copra in the country is 15.30 million tonnes.

(b) For 2016-17 (Apr.-Dec.), 14218 tonnes of Copra was exported and US \$ 14.48 million realised. Export of copra from 2014-15 to 2016-17(April-Dec.) is given in the Statement (See below).

(c) Government fixes Minimum Support Price (MSP) for copra. For 2016 season, the MSP for milling copra was fixed at ₹ 5950/- per quintal and for ball copra at ₹ 6240/- per quintal.

(d) Government undertakes procurement of copra when price falls below MSP level.

Statement

Details regarding export of Copra from 2014-15 to 2016-17

Sl. No.	Country	Values in US\$ Million			Quantity in MT (Metric Tonne)		
		2014-15	2015-16	2016-17 (Apr.-Dec.)	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17 (Apr.-Dec.)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Australia	0	0	0	0.5	8.2	1.1
2.	Bangladesh PR	10.23	2.54	10.43	5,575.71	2,503.00	10,863.00
3.	Canada	0		0	0.5		0.6
4.	Cyprus						0.01
5.	Colombia	0.04			20.5		
6.	Ghana						0.01

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
7. Hong Kong		0	0.5	0.38	0.12	185.38	179.08
8. Iran				0.03	2.12	23	1,806.00
9. Israel			0.02	8.9			
10. Kenya		0	0		0.05	0.1	
11. Kuwait		0	0		0.66	0.16	
12. Malawi		0				0.15	
13. Malaysia				0.05	0.02	0.03	50
14. Nepal		2.13	1.91	1.05	1,164.29	1,278.10	1,012.42
15. Netherlands		0			0.50		
16. Pakistan IR		0.82	0.51	0.16	425	375	140
17. Qatar		0.01		0	3		0.63
18. Singapore			0	0.03	0.02	1	25
19. South Africa		0	0		0.3	1	
20. Tanzania					0.03		
21. U. Arab Emis.		0.14	0	0.02	76.39	1.25	22
22. UK		0		0.01	0.7		3.8
23. USA		0.02	0.02	0	16.07	12.47	2.36
24. Vietnam Soc. Rep.		0.21	103.25				
TOTAL		13.39	5.52	14.48	7,284.51	4,388.69	14,218.16

Source: Department of Commerce.

Central Agriculture University, Imphal

1778. SHRIMATI RANEE NARAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the functions of the Central Agriculture University, Imphal; and
- (b) the name of old and new colleges under the Central Agriculture University, Imphal, including the proposed six new colleges?