

etc. the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries is implementing following schemes:

- (i) **Rashtriya Gokul Mission (RGM):** RGM has been initiated for development and conservation of indigenous bovine breeds. Under the scheme all 41 breeds of cattle and 13 breeds of buffaloes are covered.
- (ii) **National Dairy Plan-I:** Under the scheme development and conservation of 6 breeds of cattle (Sahiwal, Gir, Rathi, Tharparkar, Hariana and Kankrej) and 6 breeds of buffaloes (Murrah, Nili Ravi, Mehsana, Jaffarabadi, Pandharpuri and Banni) is covered.
- (iii) **Breed Improvement Institutes:**
  - (a) **Central Cattle Breeding Farms:** 7 cattle breeding farms established in different parts of the country. Male calves of high genetic merit of indigenous breeds (Red Singhi and Tharparkar cattle breeds and Murrah and Surti buffalo breed) along with other breeds produced at these farms are being made available to the States for genetic upgradation of bovine population.
  - (b) **Central Herd Registration Scheme:** 4 Central Herd Registration units established for identification and location of elite animals of indigenous breeds (Gir, Hariana, Kankrej and Ongole cattle breeds and Murrah, Mehsani and Jaffarabadi buffalo breeds) for use in genetic upgradation programmes for bovines being implemented by the States.
  - (c) **Central Frozen Semen Production and Training Institute:** Semen of indigenous breeds Red Sindhi, Tharparkar and Murrah is produced at this Station and made available to the States.

**Nutritious milk of indigenous haunch bearing breed of cows**

†21. SHRI R.K. SINHA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the scientific research has proved that the milk of indigenous haunch bearing breed of cow is more nutritious and bears more resistant power to fight against the incurable diseases; and

(b) if so, the plans being formulated by Government to develop the indigenous breed of cow?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRIMATI KRISHNA RAJ): (a) As informed by Indian

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) no such work has been carried out under ICAR Institutes.

(b) In order to complement and supplement the efforts made by States for development and conservation of indigenous breeds the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries has been implementing following schemes:

- (i) Rashtriya Gokul Mission (RGM)
  - National Programme for Bovine Breeding
  - Indigenous Breeds
  - National Mission on Bovine Productivity
- (ii) National Dairy Plan-I
- (iii) Breed Improvement Institutes
  - Central Cattle Breeding Farms
  - Central Herd Registration Scheme
  - Central Frozen Semen Production and Training Institute

#### **Shortage of milk**

22. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the country is likely to face shortage of milk in the coming years;
- (b) if so, whether any action plan has been formulated by Government to meet the shortage of milk and ensure its sufficient availability in the country; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRIMATI KRISHNA RAJ): (a) This Department has no report to suggest that country is likely to face shortage of milk in the coming years.

- (b) and (c) Does not arise

#### **Implementation of PMFBY**

23. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of beneficiaries registered under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) and the average premium paid by these beneficiaries;