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MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2024  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2021

**RASHTRIYA KAMDHENU AAYOG**

2024. SHRI SANJAY SETH:

SHRI RAJEEV SATAV:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING be pleased to state:

- (a) the aims and objectives of setting up Rashtriya Kamdhenu Aayog and the achievement of the Aayog since its inception;
- (b) the works done for the protection and promotion of indigenous species of cows under the 'Rashtriya Gokul Mission' in the country during the last three years, State-wise;
- (c) the total number of 'Gokul Grams' approved for Maharashtra under this Mission;
- (d) whether Government plans to increase the Gokul Grams under the Rashtriya Gokul Mission if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps taken by Government to protect and develop cattle population in the country and also conserve its indigenous breeds?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
(DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)**

(a) Rashtriya Kamadhenu Aayog (RKA) is a permanent apex advisory body set up vide resolution No 3-260/2019-AHT dated 21-2-2019. The main objective of RKA is to advise State and Central governments on matters relating to conservation, protection and development of cow, particularly indigenous breeds and their progeny in consonance with directive principles of State policy enshrined in the Constitution. Since its inception, in addition to stakeholder's consultation by Chairman and Members of the Aayog, seven meetings of Aayog has been held to deliberate on issues relating to conservation, protection and development of cows and their progeny. RKA also associated itself in organizing one day National Conclave on Cow based Entrepreneurship-Potential, Opportunities and Challenges along with the Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII) Ahmadabad. The workshop was held on 29-9-2020 and was attended by around 150 participants and aspirant young entrepreneurs.

(b) Major work done under Rashtriya Gokul Mission for development and conservation of indigenous breeds State wise is at Annexure-I.

(c) & (d) Funds have been sanctioned to Maharashtra for establishment of 3 Gokul Grams (Palghar, Pohara, Amravati and Tathwade, Pune) and funds have been released for establishment of 2 Gokul Grams (Phora, Amravati and Tathwade, Pune). Establishment of 21 Gokul Grams has been approved in 14 states under the mission and funds have been released for 16 Gokul Grams. As scheme is ending by March 2021 only committed liability will be taken up under the scheme during 2021-2022.

(e) In order to compliment and supplement the efforts made by the States and UTs to protect and develop cattle population in the country and also conserve its indigenous breeds Government of India has been implementing Rashtriya Gokul Mission. Major steps under taken under Rashtriya Gokul Mission for development and conservation of indigenous breeds are as under:

- (i) Extension of AI Coverage: Nationwide AI programme; Establishment of MAITRI centres; Strengthening of existing AI centres & Semen Stations and Training of Existing AI Technicians.
- (ii) Production of High Genetic Merit Bulls: Pedigree Selection and Progeny Testing.
- (iii) Breed Improvement by Modern Technology: Sex sorted semen production; Establishment of IVF laboratories and Genomic selection.
- (iv) Development and conservation of indigenous breeds: Establishment of Gokul Grams and Establishment of National Kamdhenu Breeding Centre.

Details of the Steps undertaken under RashtriyaGokul Mission for Development and conservation of indigenous breeds State wise

S N	Name of State	Gokul Grams approved	Bull Mother Farms	National Kamdhenu Breeding Centre	Pedigree Selection Programme	Progeny Testing	IVF Labs	NAIP No of District
1	Andhra Pradesh	1	1	1	-	1	2	9
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1	-	-	-	-	-	20
3	Assam	-	1		-		-	33
4	Bihar	1	-		-		2	38
5	Chhattisgarh	2	1		-		1	27
6	Goa	-	-		-		-	2
7	Gujarat	3	5		2	6	2	21
8	Haryana	1	1		1	1	1	5
9	Himachal Pradesh	1	-		-		1	12
10	Jammu & Kashmir	-	-		-		-	20
11	Laddakh							2
12	Jharkhand	-	3		-		-	24
13	Karnataka	1	3		-		1	17
14	Kerala	-	4		-	1	1	-
15	Madhya Pradesh	1	-	1	-		2	51
16	Maharashtra	3	-		1		3	33
17	Manipur	-	-		-		-	9
18	Meghalaya	-	-		-		-	11
19	Mizoram	-	-		-		-	8
20	Nagaland	-	-		-		-	11
21	Odisha	-	-		-		2	30
22	Punjab	1	1		1	2	2	22
23	Rajasthan	-	-		2	1	1	33
24	Sikkim	-	-		-		-	4
25	Tamil Nadu	-	2		-	1	3	13
26	Telangana	1	-		-		1	32
27	Tripura	-	15		-		-	8
28	Uttar Pradesh	3	-		-		4	75
29	Uttarakhand	1	2		-		1	13
30	West Bengal	-	2		-		1	21
	<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>604</b>

Abbreviations: IVF= In vitro Embryo Production Technology; NAIP Nationwide AI programme