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DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2025
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12TH MARCH, 2021

SCHEMES FOR UNEMPLOYED YOUTH TO START BUSINESS

2025. SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
be pleased to state:

   (a) the details of such schemes being run by Government related to animal husbandry,
        fisheries and dairying sector under which unemployed youths are being encouraged to start
        small-scale businesses;

   (b) whether these businesses have been included in the Startup scheme; and

   (c) the procedure through which Government is providing financial assistance for
        infrastructure creation in this regard?

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

(a) to (c)For employment generation and promotion of entrepreneurship in small ruminant sector
especially in rural areas, the Government is implementing a component titled Entrepreneurship
Development and Employment Generation (EDEG) under National Livestock Mission across the
country under which there are four components namely IDSRR (Integrated Development of Small
Ruminants and Rabbits), PVCF (Poultry Venture Capital Fund), Pig Development and Salvaging of
Male Buffalo Calves (SMBC). The Component- EDEG is designed mainly for entrepreneurship
development and technology infusion wherein a basket of activities are placed from which farmers,
individual entrepreneurs, NGOs, companies, cooperatives, groups of unorganised and organized sector
including Self Help Groups (SHGs), Joint Liability Groups (JLGs) etc. can choose from the Back-
ended subsidy is provided as per the scheme guidelines. Subsidy is provided @ 25% for general
category and @ 33.33 % for SC/ST Category beneficiaries.
Besides, the Government is implementing the following schemes to supplement the efforts of the
States/UTs across the country which helps to encourage unemployed youths directly as well as
indirectly:
   i.   Rashtriya Gokul Mission,
   ii.   National Programme for Dairy Development,
   iii. Dairy Processing and Infrastructure Development Fund,

iv.   Supporting Dairy Cooperatives and Farmer Producer Organizations engaged in dairy activities
 v.   National Livestock Mission,
vi.   Livestock Health and Disease Control
vii.   Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund
viii.   National Animal Disease Control Programme
 ix.   Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana
  x.   Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund

Various sub-components under the said schemes have encouraged the unemployed youths to start up businesses in the animal husbandry and dairy sector. In addition to this, the Government in partnership with Startup India, launched the "Animal Husbandry Startup Grand Challenge" on 11th September, 2019 which provides a unique opportunity in Animal Husbandry Sector towards a commercially viable and innovative solution for addressing the key challenges in the Sector. The objective of the programme is to address the problems faced by the Animal Husbandry sector and scout for innovative solutions. The challenge will provide start-ups with access to the required infrastructure, mentorship and support with an aim to make Animal Husbandry and Dairying an attractive sector.

Under the central sector sub-components/activities of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana, 100% funding is provided from central Government for Innovations and innovative activities related to fisheries and aquaculture including startups in fisheries, fisheries incubators centres(FIC), block chain, activities like sea ranching, harnessing of krill quota, new advances in aquaculture and capture fisheries, innovative approaches to address malnutrition, innovative approaches like promotion of ornamental fishes as pets/hobby, dissemination of importance of fisheries through installation and operation of aquaria in public places/schools/government offices or any other activity as approved by Central Apex Committee (CAC).

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