

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1541
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29th JULY, 2022
UNNAT PASHUDHAN SASHAKT KISAN CONCLAVE

1541. SHRI SANJAY RAUT:

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

- (a) whether the Government has organized Unnat Pashudhan Sashakt Kisan Conclave recently and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any step to provide quality animal health services at the farmers' doorsteps and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government proposes to provide more importance to animal husbandry, dairy and fisheries sectors and if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (d) the other steps taken by the Government to ensure growth of the livestock sector by increasing farmers' access to animal health and credit services?

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) As a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying organised Unnat Pashudhan Sashakt Kisan Conclave on 1st June, 2022 with a focus on dairy, poultry and other livestock farmers, innovative entrepreneurs, start-ups and industry on the occasion of World Milk Day. Following programmes were organized during the Conclave:

- (i) Digital Exhibition of 75 Indigenous Livestock Breeds.
- (ii) Digital Exhibition of 75 successful Entrepreneurs in livestock sector.
- (iii) Launch of two digital coffee table books on 75 Livestock breeds and 75 Entrepreneurs.
- (iv) Launch of training programme for Accredited Agent for Health and Extension of Livestock Production (A-HELP).
- (v) Felicitation of Padmashree awardees from the Animal Husbandry sector.
- (vi) Announcement of Animal Husbandry Startup Grand challenge 2.0 winners.
- (vii) Three technical thematic sessions on 1) Increasing productivity and improving animal health, 2) Value addition and market linkages and 3) Innovation and technology.

(b) In order to provide quality animal health services at the farmer's doorstep, Government has implemented "Establishment & Strengthening of Veterinary Hospitals & Dispensaries- Mobile Veterinary Units (ESVHD-MVU)" under "Livestock Health & Disease Control Scheme" to provide veterinary health services at farmer's doorstep from 2021-22. The scheme provides 100% financial assistance to all States/UTs towards non-recurring expenditure on procurement of **Mobile Veterinary Unit (MVU)** for every one lakh livestock population. For recurring expenditure on running of

diagnostic & treatment services by these Mobile Veterinary Units, the scheme provides a central share of 90% for North Eastern States & Himalayan States, 100% for UTs and 60% for all other States. During 2021-22 a sum of Rs.681.57 Crore has been released to 33 States/UTs for procurement of 4332 Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs).

(c) Recently, the Government has revised and realigned various components of existing schemes in order to have focused development of animal husbandry and dairying across the country for next 5 years starting from 2021-22. Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing the following schemes to supplement the efforts of the States/UTs across the country:

- 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

(d) In order to ensure growth of the livestock sector, National Animal Disease Control Programme (NADCP) is being implemented for control and eradication of Foot & Mouth Disease (FMD) and Brucellosis disease in the country with 100 % central support to States by vaccinating against FMD and Brucellosis. Under Livestock Health & Disease Control (LH & DC) scheme, the component "Assistance to States for Control of Animal Diseases (ASCAD)" provides central assistance (90% for North Eastern States & Himalayan States, 100% for UTs and 60% for all other States) to all States/UTs towards vaccination of economically important diseases, strengthening of disease diagnostic laboratories. The scheme also includes Peste des Petits Ruminant - Eradication Programme (PPR-EP) and Classical Swine Fever Control Programme (CSF-CP) , which provides 100% central assistance to all States/UTs for eradication of Peste des Petits Ruminant (PPR) disease of sheep & goats and control of CSF disease of pigs by vaccination coverage of 100% eligible sheep & goat and pig population in the country.

In order to increase the access to credit services to Animal husbandry and Dairy Sector, the Department is implementing Credit Linked Infrastructure Development Schemes such as Dairy Processing Infrastructure Development Fund (DIDF), Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund(AHIDF), Supporting Dairy Cooperatives and Farmer producer organizations involved in dairy activities (SDCFPO) and credit linked Entrepreneurship Schemes such as Breed Multiplication Farm under Rashtriya Gokul Mission(RGM), Sheep, goat , Pig breeder farm & breed development in rural poultry under National Livestock Mission. Special drives were carried out in association with D/o Financial Services (DFS) to provide fresh KCC to animal husbandry and dairy farmers in the country. The Department in association with D/o Financial Services is currently organizing a Nation-wide AHDF KCC campaign from 15.11.2021 to 31.07.2022. In order to ensure increased credit flow, a target of Rs 1,04,580 Crore is fixed as ground level credit target for Animal Husbandry and Dairying during 2022-23.
