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MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
RAJYA SABHA  
UN-STARRED QUESTION 1561  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2025

**21<sup>ST</sup> NATIONAL LIVESTOCK CENSUS SURVEY**

1561. SHRI ASHOKRAO SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted the 21<sup>st</sup> National Livestock Census Survey recently;
- (b) If so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives of conducting such census;
- (c) whether Government has conducted a workshop to train its officials on data collation strategies and familiarization with various registered breed of livestock and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the total livestock population in the country as per the 21<sup>st</sup> Census conducted recently?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
(PROF. S. P. SINGH BAGHEL)

- (a) Yes Sir, the 21<sup>st</sup> National Livestock Census exercise has been launched across the country on 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 and is likely to be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2025.
- (b) The main objective of the 21<sup>st</sup> Livestock Census is to know the stock of total livestock and poultry population in the country. It includes enumeration of 15 species of domesticated animals namely, cattle, buffalo, goat, sheep, yak, mithun, dog, rabbit, pig, horse, pony, donkey, mules, camel, elephant and poultry birds. It also includes the collection of use, sex and age-wise information along with 219 registered breeds of livestock. Assessing trends in livestock and breeds for better policymaking, collating data on indigenous and exotic breeds for their conservation and breeding programs, providing valuable inputs for various government planning and initiatives for development and welfare in the livestock sector are some aims and objectives of this exercise.
- (c) Yes Sir, Department has conducted extensive trainings & workshops across the country including one All India training for trainers at New Delhi on dated 25.06.2024 and nine regional trainings at Guwahati, Dimapur, Lukhnow, Puri, Ahmedabad, Pune, Vishakhapatnam, Chennai, Panaji, Amritsar and Srinagar at different dates during July to August, 2024 to the officials on data collation strategies and familiarization with various registered breed of livestock. Thereafter, using these master trainers States/UTs have conducted district level trainings to their enumerators & supervisors in all 785 districts across the country.
- (d) Sir, the 21<sup>st</sup> Livestock Census enumeration is currently ongoing.

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