

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4943
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SCHEME FOR FODDER PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any Central scheme to increase the production of fodder in tribal districts of Gujarat is being implemented;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government have made any assessment regarding the success of this scheme in the State;
- (d) if so, the outcome thereof; and
- (e) the corrective measures being taken by the Government to increase the production of fodder especially in fodder scarced areas?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN)

(a): There is no specific scheme for tribal districts. However, Central Government have released Rs.10.00 lakhs and revalidated Rs.117.00 lakhs of unspent amount during 2000-2001 for fodder development in the State of Gujarat.

(b) to (d): Question does not arise.

(e): Government of India is implementing the following schemes to increase the production of fodder especially in fodder scarced areas:-

- a. Seven Regional Stations for Forage Production and Demonstration and a Central Fodder Seed Production Farm.
- b. Central Minikit Testing Programme for fodder crops.
- c. Centrally Sponsored Scheme- Assistance to the State for fodder development comprising the following components and funding patterns (Central: State):

- (i) Strengthening of Fodder Seed Production Farms (75:25).
- (ii) Establishment of Fodder Banks (75:25).
- (iii) Fodder Seed Production through Registered growers(25:75).
- (iv) Enrichment of straws and Cellulosic wastes (100:00).
- (v) Establishment of Silvipasture System for increase in Bio-mass production (100:00).
- (vi) Grassland Development including Grass Reserves(100.00).
- (vii) Sample Survey for Area, Production and Requirement of Fodder crops(100.00).