GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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PRODUCTIVE POLICY FOR PROMOTING LIVESTOCK
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to formulate a National Cattle Reproductive Policy for promoting livestock in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the proposed policy also envisages to develop different breeds of animals; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. Ninth Plan Centrally Sponsored Scheme National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding insist on adoption of a cattle breeding policy by each State. A National Cattle Breeding Policy is also being attempted within the framework of National Livestock Policy which will address the issues concerning growth rate of cattle population, their requirement for various purposes and utilisation. A National Commission on Cattle has also been constituted by the Government.

(c)&(d): The proposed Policy will also address the concerns towards conservation and improvement of indigenous breeds as defined by the scientific research and the needs of the different States.