

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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ANTHRAX CASES  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government are aware of spreading of Anthrax disease amongst the cattle in different parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the number of cattle died due to the disease, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken so far to prevent this disease?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

- (a): Anthrax in cattle is reported sporadically in India in the endemic areas. The Government is fully aware of the presence of the disease in the livestock in the country.
- (b): Total number of cattle died in the States due to Anthrax during 1998, 1999 and 2000 are 144, 172 and 163, respectively.
- (c): In the wake of recent reported incidences of Anthrax in other countries, the State Governments have been requested to be more vigilant and to take necessary preventive measures for its control.