

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASES

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has selected some districts in the country particularly in Southern region for launching a pilot scheme for the eradication of Foot and Mouth Diseases among livestock;
- (b) if so, the details and location thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Union Government has received representations from other States to start such a scheme;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): In the 10th Plan, Government is implementing an intensive Foot and Mouth Diseases Control Programme (FMD-CP) in selected 54 districts of the country. These are located in the states of Tamil Nadu (Kanyakumari District); Kerala

(Quilon, Trivandrum and Pathanamthitha Districts); Punjab (Districts of Gurdaspur, Amritsar, Ferozpur, Bathinda, Mansa, Sangrur, Patiala and Fatehgar Saheb); Haryana (Districts of Sirsa, Fatehabad, Hisar, Bhiwani, Jhajjar, Rohtak, Sonapat and Jind); Uttar Pradesh (Districts of Aligarh, Hathras, Mathura, Firozabad, Agra, Etah, Bulandshahar, Ghaziabad, G.B.Nagar, Badaun, Moradabad, J.B.P.Nagar, Meerut, Baghpat, Sarahanpur and Muzaffar Nagar); Maharashtra (Districts of Aurangabad, Ahmed Nagar, Pune, Satara and Mumbai including a part of Thane); Gujarat (Districts of Banaskantha, Mehsana, Sabarkantha and Patan); Andhra Pradesh (Districts of Medak, Ranga Reddy, Chittoor and Ananthapur); NCT of Delhi, and Union Territories of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu.

(c), (d) & (e): Yes, Sir.

The States have been intimated to take up the scheme under another programme 'Assistance to States for Control of Animal diseases' where there is a provision for immunization of animals against various diseases including Foot and Mouth Diseases and states are at liberty to prioritize the diseases as per their need.