GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:787 ANSWERED ON:12.07.2004 PROMOTION OF DAIRY INDUSTRY Singh Shri Dushyant

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is taking steps to promote dairy industry in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(C) whether there is a huge scope to encourage dairy industry in Rajasthan; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in this regard during the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTTLALBHURIA)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. Apart from efforts of State Governments and other related agencies the Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing following schemes for promotion of dairy industry in the country:

i Integrated Dairy Development Project in Non Operation Flood, Hilly and Backward Areas - Centrally Sponsored Plan Scheme with 100% grant in aid to the State Governments/Union Territories.

ii. Assistance to Cooperatives for rehabilitation of sick milk unions with 50:50 sharing basis between Government of India and the concerned State Government.

iii. Strengthening infrastructure for quality and clean milk Production-100% grant in aid is provided to the State Governments for training of fanner members, supply of stainless steel utensils, chemicals and detergents and providing cold chain facilities with 75% Central assistance.

(c)&(d): Yes, Sir. Out of about 37,900 villages in Rajasthan around 15,800 have been covered by Dairy Cooperative Societies under 16 milk unions.

The Cooperative Unions/Federations in various States with the assistance of NDDB have made perspective plans covering activities in processing and manufacturing facilities, quality assurance, productivity enhancement, institutional building and society organization, National Information Network and market development.

Out of 16 milk unions in Rajasthan, perspective plans for 8 unions have been approved by NDDB with total outlay of Rs.8805.97 lakhs and an amount of Rs.3143.84 lakhs has been released during last three years. A Statement showing progress made in respect of key parameters is annexed.

Besides this, projects under Swaranjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY), District Poverty Initiative Projects (DPIP), women dairy projects under Department of Women & Child Development and Saras Suraksha Kavach (Insurance Cover) have been taken up to increase milk production and help the dairy farmers/industry.