GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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UPGRADATION OF DAIRY AND POULTRY MARKETS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any specific proposal has been mooted by the Government to develop dairy and poultry markets during Eleventh Plan period alongwith the funds earmarked for the said proposals, State-wise; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) & (b): No, Sir. However, under the Central Sector Reform-Linked Scheme for Development/Strengthening of Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure, Grading and Standardization, being implemented under XI Five Year Plan,the assistance is being provided for the development/strengthening of animal markets also, which cover the marketing and value addition infrastructure for dairy and poultry sectors. Under this Scheme, a credit-linked,back-ended subsidy is provided on the capital cost of the projects taken up by the individuals, farmers, farmers' groups, companies, cooperatives, NGOs, State Agencies etc. @ 25% of the approved capital cost, subject to an upper ceiling of Rs. 50.00 lakh. For Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs) beneficiaries and North-Eastern States, hilly and tribal areas, the rate of subsidy is 33.33% subject to an upper ceiling of Rs. 60.00 lakh. The State Agencies such as State Agricultural Produce Marketing Boards and APMCs have also been allowed assistance under the scheme with no upper limit of subsidy on an investment from their own funds without borrowing from the financial institutions for developing/strengthening of marketing infrastructure.