

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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ASSISTANCE FOR POULTRY SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government provides financial relief under various schemes for the development of the poultry sector in the country including the southern States;and

(b) if so, the details of funds allocated for the purpose during the last three years and the current year, State-wise and year-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION  
(PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

Yes, Madam. Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries is implementing poultry sector-specific schemes in the country including Southern States viz. Central Sector Scheme, 'Poultry Venture Capital Fund Scheme' and new components under Centrally Sponsored Scheme, 'Poultry Development' wherein financial relief is provided. Besides this, the continuing component of 'Assistance to State Poultry Farms' component provides assistance for strengthening of the State Poultry Farms. In addition, various financial relief measures for poultry sector, which suffered losses due to avian influenza outbreaks, were taken by Government. The Government allowed one-time interest subvention of 4% on loans on various poultry activities for all States in 2006-07 and for West Bengal in 2009-10. Maize was released at subsidized rate during 2006-07 from Government stock for use in poultry feed. Poultry production units have also been assisted under special package for suicide prone districts in 2009-10.

There is no State-wise allocation of funds under the ongoing schemes of the Department and suitable proposals are considered on first-come first-serve basis. However, the scheme-wise year-wise details of funds sanctioned may kindly be seen at annexure A.