

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

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GROWTH OF COW PROGENY
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether growth of the cow progeny is essential for protecting the environment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated or intends to formulate any schemes in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof ;
- (e) whether recently Vishwa Mangal Gogram Yatra was organised throughout the country and if so, the detail thereof;
- (f) whether the Government has received any memorandum from the organiser of Vishwa Mangal Gogram Yatra; and
- g) if so, the details thereof and the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

- (a) to (d) All the species on earth play a vital role in protecting the environment, which include cow progeny. Government has initiated a centrally sponsored scheme namely "National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding" which envisages genetic up-gradation of bovine population and also has focus on development and conservation of indigenous breeds.
- (e) to (g) Letters have been received in the Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries from various sources indicating that Vishwa Mangal Gogram Yatra was organized. The details about the yatra are available on website <http://gougram.org/>.