

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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GOOD QUALITY LIVESTOCK
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether demands of good quality livestock have increased in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the measures taken by the Government for the development and conservation of good quality embryos/ livestock;
- (d) the details of funds required and provided for development of animal husbandry sector and to increase income for the sector; and
- (e) the steps taken to conserve local breeds of livestock and assist the farmers in this sector?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. Looking towards the demands for high productive livestock, Government of India has initiated a major programme namely 'National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding' (NPCBB) from October 2000 on 100% grant-in-aid basis over a period of ten years, in two phases each of five years, with an allocation of Rs 402 crore and Rs 775.87 crore for Phase -I and Phase II respectively. NPCBB envisages genetic upgradation of bovine population on priority basis. Project includes identification of elite animal and their propagation through natural service, Artificial Insemination (AI) and Embryo Transfer Technology (ETT)

(d) The Allocation made for development of Animal Husbandry Sector during last three years is as follows;

(Rs.in crore)

2007-08 2008-09 2009-10

350.92 481.00 558.29

(e) Details of the steps taken for development and conservation of indigenous breeds is Annexed.