GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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ASSESSMENT OF MILK PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made any assessment on production of milk and demand in the future;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to provide milk to the poor at concessional rates;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of measures taken by the Government to enhance the production of milk and to ensure the adequate availability of milk in the country.

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. As per an assessment made by Planning Commission, estimated domestic demand for milk by 2021-2022 is expected to be 172.20 million tonnes. The production of milk in the country is expected to increase to 180 million tonnes by 2021-22 as projected under the proposed National Dairy Plan.
- (c)& (d) No, Madam. However, various State Milk Federations, District Milk Unions, Mother Dairies and Metro Dairies sell Double Toned and Skimmed Milk in the country at a relatively lower price as compared to Toned and Full Cream Milk.
- (e) The Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries is implementing the following schemes for enhancement of milk production and availability in the country:
- (a) National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding.
- (b) Feed and Fodder Development Scheme
- (c) Livestock Health and Disease Control Programme
- (d) Intensive Dairy Development Programme
- (e) Strengthening Infrastructure for Quality & Clean Milk Production
- (f) Assistance to Cooperatives
- (g) Dairy Venture Capital Fund