

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:16

ANSWERED ON:22.02.2011

DAIRY COOPERATIVES

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has reviewed the financial condition of dairy cooperatives in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the total number of such cooperatives functional /reported to be economically sick/closed down during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to revive the closed dairy cooperatives and provide financial assistance to those cooperatives reported to be economically sick; and
- (d) if so, the details of such steps and the financial assistance provided alongwith the number of such closed/economically sick cooperatives benefited during the said period, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a) to (d); A statement is laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 16 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22nd OF FEBRUARY, 2011.

(a) & (b) The Dairy Cooperatives are registered under the respective State Cooperative Societies Act. The National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) reviews the financial condition of the Dairy Cooperative Unions/Federations which have been provided technical/financial assistance by NDDB. Status of Dairy Cooperative Unions/Federations for which annual accounts have been received along with the list of non-functional Dairy Cooperative Unions/ Federations available with NDDB is given at Annexure I.

(c) & (d) The Government of India has a Central Sector Scheme `Assistance to Cooperatives to rehabilitate sick Dairy Cooperative Unions / State Milk Federations. State-wise financial assistance provided to rehabilitate such cooperatives during last three years and the current year under this scheme is given at Annexure II.