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FODDER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the demand and supply of fodder in the country, state-wise;

(b) whether the Government has been implementing the Fodder Development Programme in various villages in the country to address the problem of fodder shortage;

(c) if so, the details thereof; State-wise;

(d) the funds earmarked/ allotted/ released by the Union Government for accelerated Fodder Development in the country, State-wise; and

(e) the achievement made so far under the scheme?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. CHARAN DAS MAHANT)

(a): The requirement and availability of fodder is given at Annexure-1.

(b): Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries is implementing following two schemes on fodder development in the country:

(1) Centrally Sponsored Scheme:- Centrally sponsored Fodder & Feed Development Scheme is being implemented from 1.4. 2010. The components wise details is given at Annexure-4.

(2) Centrally Sector Scheme: Central Fodder Development Organization (CFDO)-it is comprised of the following three components. First two components are farms of this Department.

1. Seven Regional Stations for Forage Production and Demonstrations (RSFP&D).

2. One Central Fodder Seed Production Farm (CFSPF).

3. Central Minikit Testing Programme (CMTP)-under this programme fodder minikits are allotted to states for free of cost distribution among the beneficiaries. The detail of allocation for the last 3 years and current year is given at Annexure-5.

In addition, Department of Agriculture and Cooperation (DAC) is implementing accelerated Fodder Development Programme from 2011-12.

(c): The fund released under Centrally Sponsored Fodder and Feed Development Scheme for the last three years and current year is given at Annexure-2. The funds released under accelerated Fodder Development Programme during 2011-12 is given at Annexure-3.

(d) and (e): The funds earmarked for accelerated Fodder Development Programme is Rs 300.00 crore and the funds allocated to the states is given at Annexure-3