

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3299
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HIKE IN MILK PRICES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the prices of milk being sold by Delhi Milk Scheme (DMS) and Mother Dairy have been raised a number of times within a short span of one year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to stabilise the price of milk?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR.CHARAN DAS MAHANT)

(a) & (b) The prices of milk have been raised twice during the last one year (August 2010 to August 2011) by Delhi Milk Scheme (DMS) and Mother Dairy due to increase in cost of production of milk. The details are as given below:-

Delhi Milk Scheme	Mother Dairy
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Price increase with effect from	Price increase from	Price increase with effect from	Price increase from
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24.12.2010	Re.1 per litre	19.12.2010	Re.1 per litre
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18.05.2011	Rs.2 per litre	14.05.2011	Rs.2 per litre
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(c) The Government has taken the following measures to augment the availability of liquid milk and to stabilise the price of milk:-

1. National Dairy Development Board has been allowed to import 30,000 MT of Skimmed Milk Powder and Whole milk powder and 15,000 MT of Butter, Butter oil and anhydrous milk fat at 0% concessional duty under Tariff Rate Quota for the year 2011-12 for reconstitution of milk by State Milk Federations and Metro Dairies vide notification dated 14.01.2011.

2. Export of milk powders (including skimmed milk powder, whole milk powder, dairy whitener and infant milk food), Casein and Casein products has been prohibited with effect from 18.02.2011.