

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4536
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BARREN CATTLE
Singh Shri Bhupendra

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of barren cattle of cow/buffalo family in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether any research/study have been undertaken in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the number of cattle whose problems of barrenness has been redressed so far during the last three years under National Cow/Buffalo Family Project, State-wise?

Answer

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

- (a) The details of barren cattle of cow/buffalo family are not collected under Livestock Census/Integrated Sample Survey Scheme.
- (b) & (c) Yes, Sir. Research work on infertility and sterility in cattle and buffaloes are undertaken regularly in ICAR research institutes using chromosomal, gene polymorphism, feeding mineral supplementation and hormonal assays.
- (d) In order to supplement efforts made by the States to overcome infertility and sterility in bovines, Government of India is implementing National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding under which funds are released to the participating States for organisation of fertility camps to overcome infertility and sterility in bovine population. The number of fertility camps organized and number of bovines treated for infertility and sterility during each of the last three years State wise and year wise is annexed.