

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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LIVESTOCK CENSUS  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) Whether the Government has recently conducted a livestock census in the country;
- (b) If so, the outcome thereof;
- (c) The number of milch animals in each State/Union Territory at present;
- (d) Whether the Government proposes to increase the yield of milch animals by adopting scientific breeding methods; and
- (e) If so, the details thereof? AN S W E R

**Answer**

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

(a) to (b) Government had conducted last Livestock Census in the country in 2007 i.e., 18th Livestock-Census. As per 18th Livestock Census-2007, The outcomes are given below;

S.No. Species Number of Animals  
in thousands)

1 Cattle 199075

2 Buffalo 105343

3 Yaks 83

4 Mithuns 264

5 Bovine 304765

6 Sheep 71558

7 Goals 140537

8 Horses 611  
and Ponies

9 Mules 137

10 Donkeys 438

11 Camels 517

12 Pigs 1134

13 Dogs 19087

14 Rabbits 424

15 Poultry 648830

The number of milch animals in each State/Union Territory as per 18 Livestock Census is at Annexure - A.

(d) to (e) The Government of India is implementing various schemes/programmes in order to increase the yield of milch animals by adopting scientific breeding methods:

National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding Central Cattle Breeding Farms

Central Frozen Semen Production and Training Institute

Central Herd Registration Scheme

In addition, Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) is undertaking research programmes for the improvement of various breeds of livestock in different agro climatic regions of the country through institute based projects and All India Coordinated Research/ Network Projects