

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1178  
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MILCH CATTLE  
Ramshankar Dr.

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

- (a) the details of the milch cattle on the verge of extinction in the country; and
- (b) the measures being taken by the Government for their protection and breed upliftment?

**Answer**

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

(a) Milch breeds of cattle namely Gir, Rathi Red Sindhi and Sahiwal are available in sufficient number in their breeding tract and the details are given at Annexure-I.

(b) Government of India has been implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, namely, `National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding` (NPCBB) on 100% grant-in-aid basis from October 2000. NPCBB envisages genetic upgradation of bovine population on priority basis and also has focus on development and conservation of indigenous breeds. Government is also implementing three Central Sector Schemes, namely Central Cattle Breeding Farms (CCBFs), Central Herd Registration Scheme (CHRS) and Central Frozen Semen Production and Training Institute (CFSP&TI) for development of bovine population.