

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:321
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FUNDS FOR DAIRY CO OPERATIVES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Central Government is providing funds to strengthen the infrastructure of dairy co-operatives;
- (b) if so, the details of the agencies through with funding is being done;
- (c) whether the existing guidelines stipulate for assistance only to the dairy co-operatives affiliated to the regional union;
- (d) if so, whether the Government is considering a change in the present guidelines to include the traditional milk societies which are not affiliated to the union;and
- (e) the response of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

- (a): Yes Madam.
- (b): Government of India provides financial assistance under the Centrally Sponsored and Central Sector Schemes through agencies namely, National Dairy Development Board (NDDB), National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), National Cooperative Dairy Corporation(NCDC) and State Dairy Federations to strengthen the infrastructure of dairy co-operatives.
- (c) Existing guideline of few schemes provides for assistance only to dairy cooperatives affiliated to the regional unions.
- (d)&(e): Assistance is provided to traditional milk societies under few schemes.However for proper monitoring of centrally sponsored projects affiliation to regional milk union is stipulated in a few schemes.