GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:345 ANSWERED ON:07.07.2009 SURVEY OF LIVESTOCK Rawat Shri Ashok Kumar

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted/proposes to conduct any survey on livestock in the country, especially in backward and rural areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to increase the number of livestock in the country and also to improve their breed?

Answer

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

- (a)&(b): The Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries implements Centrally Sponsored Schemes namely `Integrated Sample Survey Scheme` to estimate Major Livestock Products on seasonal and annual basis and ``Livestock Census` to count the livestock population of different species on quinquennial basis. The last Livestock Census was conducted with reference date as 15th October 2007. The National Sample Survey Organisation conducts land and livestock holding survey once in every ten years. Last such survey was conducted during January -December, 2003.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) The Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries is implementing the following Central Sector Sc Centrally Sponsored Schemes for breed improvement/ conservation and protection of livestock:
- i) National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding, (ii) Central Cattle Breeding Organisation (iii) Conservation of threatened Breeds of Livestock, (iv) Integrated Development of Small Reminants and Rabbits (v) Assistance to State Poultry/duck Farms (vi) Central Poultry Development Organisation and (vii) Poultry Venture Capital Fund Scheme.