

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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MILK PRODUCTION

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the prices of milk have increased several times in the country during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has made any assessment of the production and consumption of milk in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise: and
- (e) the steps/programmes taken/being taken by the Government to increase the production of milk?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yearly Wholesale Price Index (WPI) (base year 2004-05 = 100) of milk during last three years and current year is as follows:-

Year WPI

2008-09	123.24
2009-10	146.41
2010-11	175.88
2011-12	192.50

(Average upto Jan`
2012)

[Source:-Office of Economic Adviser, M/o Commerce and Industries].

Increase in prices is mainly attributed to increase in cost of production.

(c) & (d) State wise milk production during last three years and monthly per capita consumption of milk for the year 2009-10 in the country is annexed at Annexure-I & II respectively. Anticipated milk production in the country during 2011-12 is 127.29 million tonnes. State-wise breakup for anticipated milk production for 2011-12 is not available. National Sample Survey Organization (NSSO) conducts the survey on monthly consumption of milk in every five years and the last survey of consumption of milk was conducted during 2009-10.

(e) Government of India is implementing the following schemes for increasing the milk production in the country:

1. National Project for Cattle & Buffalo Breeding
2. Intensive Dairy Development Programme
3. Dairy Entrepreneurships Development scheme
4. Livestock Health and Disease Control
5. Fodder and Feed Development scheme