## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6256 ANSWERED ON:15.05.2012 PROMOTION OF DAIRY INDUSTRY Devappa Anna Shri Shetti Raju Alias

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

- (a) whether hybridisation of cows has been carried out to promote dairy industry;
- (b) if so, whether any reproduction policy is being followed for buffaloes for increasing the milk production;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether there is any provision to impose restriction on use of cows limited to specific area and hybrid breed of buffaloes; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

## **Answer**

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

- (a) to (c) Formulation of breeding policy and breeding plan for development of cattle and buffalo population is the State subject and most of the States have formulated breeding policy to increase milk production and productivity of bovines. The policy for cattle and buffalo in most of States is selective breeding of Indian breeds of cattle for milk production and draft, selective breeding of the major buffalo breeds for milk, grading up of the non-descript and low producing breeds of buffaloes with Murrah, crossbreeding of non-descript cattle with exotic dairy breeds Jersey and Holstein Friesian and limiting the exotic inheritance to around 50% in crossbreds.
- (d) No Sir.
- (e) Question does not arise.