GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6440 ANSWERED ON:15.05.2012 IMPORT OF MILK Choudhary Shri Bhudeo

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of milk estimated to be imported for overcoming the shortage of milk in the country in the current year;

- (b) the resources being mobilised for becoming self-reliant in milk production in the near future;
- (c) whether there is a possibility to minimise the import of milk from foreign countries in the near future; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) There is no proposal for import of milk during the current year, at present.

(b) In addition to the steps taken by State Governments, the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries is supplementing the efforts of the State Governments by way of the following schemes to increase milk production in the country:

- i. National Project for Cattle & Buffalo Breeding
- ii. Intensive Dairy Development Programme
- iii. Dairy Entrepreneurship Development scheme
- iv. Livestock Health and Disease Control
- v. Fodder and Feed Development scheme
- vi. National Dairy Plan Phase I (New Scheme started from March 2012)
- (C) & (d) Does not arise in view of above.