

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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RISE IN PRODUCTION COST OF EGGS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a hike in the prices of eggs because of their rising production cost;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to assist the poultry industry in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) There are no specific studies available to correlate the hike in prices of eggs exclusively to rising cost of production. However, the prices of feed ingredients like oilseed cakes, soya etc. have increased which would raise cost of production.
- (c) The Empowered Group of Ministers (EGoM) on Drought Issues has approved waiver of duty on import of de-oiled soya extract, groundnut oil cake, sunflower oil cake, canola oil meal and mustard oilcake to ease supplies to feed industry and stabilize feed cost.