GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2401 ANSWERED ON:12.03.2013 DEVELOPMENT OF DAIRY FISHERY POULTRY SECTORS

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has discussed measures for sustainable growth of Dairy, Fishery and Poultry Sectors with various States and Union Territories in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard and the outcome thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to set up Animal Science Education Centres across the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of growth registered in the livestock sector during the 11th Plan period and the number of livestock as per the latest Livestock Census;
- (e) whether the Union Government has fixed any targets for the livestock sector during the 12th Five Year Plan;
- (f) if so, the details in this regard and the extent to which the same has been achieved in the first financial year of the 12th Five Year Plan; and
- (g) the details of the steps taken by the Government to achieve such targets in the remaining period of the said plan?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) The Union Government has discussed measures for sustainable growth of Dairy, Fishery and Poultry Sectors with various States and Union Territories during the State Ministers Conference of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries held on 06.02.2013 at New Delhi. The discussion identified certain priority areas for implementation and growth of the sectors. Another meeting to discuss State Plans relating to development of Dairy, Fishery and Poultry Sectors with Secretaries of various States and Union Territories has been scheduled on 12.03.2013.
- (c) The Government has no proposal to set up Animal Science Education Centres across the country.
- (d) As per 12th Five Year Plan document, the growth of output from livestock and fisheries sector was 4.8% per annum and 3.6% per annum respectively during 11th Five Year Plan. As per Livestock Census 2007, there are about 199.07 million cattle, 105.34 million buffaloes, 71.60 million sheep, 140.50 million goats and about 11.10 million pigs in the country.
- (e) & (f) 12th Five Year Plan document has indicated a target of 5-6% per annum growth rate for the livestock sector and 6% per annum for fisheries sector for the 12th Plan.
- (g) The Union Government has taken various steps to achieve the targets in the remaining period of the 12th Five Year Plan, which include restructuring of the schemes of the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries with main objective of achieving sustainable development and growth of the livestock sector by providing greater flexibility to states in formulating and implementing the schemes for benefit of livestock owners. Further, launching of National Livestock Mission has been announced by Hon'ble Finance Minister in the Speech for the Budget for 2013-14. The Planning Commission has approved an outlay of Rs.14179 crore for the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries for the 12th Five Year Plan.