GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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REQUIREMENT OF MILK
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made a projection/estimated the quantum of milk required in the next few years across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether milk is exported/imported in the country;
- (d) if so, the details along with the steps taken by the Government to increase the production of milk;
- (e) whether the Indian Dairy Association has urged the Union Government to introduce better technology and policy support to increase the milk output; and
- (f) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto and the further steps proposed to increase the production of milk in the country?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) As per an assessment made by Planning Commission, the domestic demand for milk by 2021-22 is expected to be 172.20 million tonnes. The National Dairy Plan-I targets to increase the milk production to meet the projected demand of 150 million tonnes by 2016-17(end of 12th Five Year Plan).
- (c) & (d) Yes. The value of export and import of dairy produce (HS Code 0401 to 0406) during last year and current year are given below;

(Rs in Lakh) 2011-12 2012-13(Apr-Sep) Export 28935.67 36063.15 Import 120393.14 8061.53 Source:commerce.nic.in

The Government of India has approved the National Dairy Plan Phase- I (NDP-I) in March, 2012 with an outlay of Rs 2,242 Crore. The objectives of the scheme are:

- i. To help increase productivity of milch animals and thereby increase milk production to meet the rapidly growing demand for milk.
- ii. To help provide rural milk producers with greater access to the organised milk processing sector.
- (e) Indian Dairy Association in its pre budget memorandum for 2012-13 submitted to this Department has stated that to enhance milk production there is an imperative need of policy support from the Government on the following core areas:
- i) Enhance milk production and milch animal productivity
- ii) Clean and quality milk production, processing and packaging
- (f) In addition to the steps taken by State Governments, the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries, Government of India is implementing the following schemes to enhance the production of milk in the country:
- i) National Dairy Plan-Phase I
- ii) Intensive Dairy Development Programme
- iii) Strengthening Infrastructure for Quality and Clean Milk Production

- iv) Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme
- v) National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding
- vi) Livestock Health and Disease Control
- vii) Fodder and Feed Development scheme

Besides the above schemes, Union Ministry of Food Processing Industries is implementing the following schemes for quality milk production, processing and packaging:

- i) Scheme for Setting-up/Upgradation of Food Testing Laboratories
- ii) Scheme for Technology Upgradation / Establishment / Modernisation of Food Processing Industries.
- iii) Scheme for Infrastructure Development (cold chain, value addition and preservation infrastructure)
- iv) Scheme for Quality Assurance, Codex Standards, R&D and Promotional Activities