

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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MILK PRODUCTION

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has prepared an action plan to make milk production profitable;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government has urged the State Governments to act on this action plan and to involve all milk producers' associations to make milk production profitable;
- (d) if so, the response of the States thereon; and
- (e) the details of the guidelines framed and instructions issued by the Government to make milk production profitable?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) – The Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries is implementing the following schemes for enhancing productivity of milch animals, increasing milk production and providing infrastructure for procurement, processing and marketing of milk which is expected to enhance profitable dairying:

1. National Dairy Plan (Phase-I)
2. National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding
3. Strengthening Infrastructure for Quality and Clean Milk Production
4. Intensive Dairy Development Scheme
5. Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme
6. Livestock Health and Disease Control
7. Fodder and Feed Development Scheme

(c) & (d) – The projects under the above schemes are prepared as per the guidelines of the scheme issued by the Department as Administrative approval. State Government are recommending the project for implementation in the States by implementing agencies like Dairy Cooperatives, Milk Unions, State Livestock Boards etc.

(e) The Department issues guidelines from time to time for proper implementation of the aforementioned schemes with the objective of enhancing productivity and production of milk which constitutes towards profitable dairying.