

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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DAIRY ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received any request from the State Government of Kerala for financial support for Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Programme; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

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

(a)& (b) The Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries had received request from the State Government of Kerala for financial support for Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme (DEDS). National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) is nodal agency for implementation of DEDS scheme. The department released an amount of Rs 170 crore in March, 2013 to NABARD for further release of subsidy to various States including Kerala, towards pending subsidy claims with NABARD, on first come first serve basis.