

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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UNPRODUCTIVE CATTLE
Singh Shri Brij Bhushan Sharan

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the population of unproductive cattle in the country has risen in the country;
- (b) if so, the estimated number of such cattle and its annual rise during the last three years and the current year; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to address the issue?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) No Madam. As per 18th Livestock Census 2007, country has 41 million productive cattle population as against 35.80 million during 17th livestock Census 2003. In order to complement and supplements the efforts made by States Government of India is implementing National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding, under which assistance is released to the States for organization of fertility camps in order to check infertility among bovine population.