

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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NATIONAL LIVESTOCK POLICY

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to chalk out any National Livestock Policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether a draft of the policy has been prepared and forwarded to the State Governments for consideration;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has implemented a number of schemes to sustain the livestock in the country; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated to various States during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) National Livestock Policy, 2013 has been prepared after consultations with the State Governments and other stake holders. National Livestock Policy, 2013 has been approved by the Government, notified and duly published. The policy aims at providing common guidelines to the States to implement various State specific programmes so as to achieve various goals and objectives. The salient features include improvement in animal productivity, infusion of appropriate technologies for quality assurance to meet international standards, extension services, restructuring of institutions and support in terms of enhanced investment and installation of an effective mechanism to sustain the same.

(e) and (f) Government is implementing various Centrally Sponsored/ Central Sector Schemes for development of livestock in the States/UTs. These Schemes includes livestock Health & Disease Control, Feed & Fodder, Dairy Development, National Project for Cattle & Buffalo Breeding, Poultry Development, Development of Small Ruminants, Dairy Development and National Dairy Plan. All the Schemes of Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries are basically intended to assist the States in the development of infrastructure and provide policy directives for promotion of livestock sector in the country. All the Schemes being implemented by the Department are demand driven and no State specific or district wise allocation is being made under any of the schemes of the Department.