

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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REARING OF LIVESTOCK
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that rearing of livestock for milk production is not a profitable venture for small and marginal farmers of the country; and

(b) if so, whether the Government has prepared any action plan to make milk production profitable by giving sublimity in feed, medical and life insurance for the small and marginal farmers involved in animal husbandry sector?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHANBHAI KUNDARIYA)

(a) & (b) The Government of India is implementing following schemes for enhancing milk production through providing infrastructure for procurement, processing and marketing of milk besides giving assistance for breeding, nutrition, veterinary aid and livestock insurance etc, which is expected to contribute to profitable dairying;

1. National Dairy Plan-I (NDP-I)
2. National Programme for Bovine Breeding and Dairy Development (NPBBDD)
3. Dairy Entrepreneurship Development scheme (DEDS)
4. National Livestock Mission
5. Livestock Health and Disease Control
6. Livestock Insurance

The beneficiaries of these schemes include small and marginal farmers among other beneficiaries.