GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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MILK PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the average of milk yield of the milch cattle in the country is far below the world average;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the per capita availability of milk at present, State-wise;
- (d) the efforts made by the Government for setting up of hi-tech dairies to boost milk production so far; and
- (e) the details of mechanism available for ensuring availability of quality milk in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHANBHAI KUNDARIYA)

- (a) & (b) As per Animal Husbandry Statistics average productivity of milch cattle in the country was 1385 kg per year during 2012-13 (1388 kg per year during 2013-14) as against world average of 2318.7 kg per year during 2012-13 (FAO); since about 60% of the Nation's cattle are non descript with low genetic potential for milk production. Moreover, the prevalent farm management system in the country is low input low output, as 70% of cattle are reared by small and marginal farms and the Landless.
- (c) State-wise per capita availability of milk during 2013-14, is given at Annexure-I.
- (d) & (e) In order to boost milk production and ensure availability of quality milk in the country, Government of India is implementing following schemes: a) National Programme for Bovine Breeding & Dairy Development; b) National Dairy Plan and c) Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme.