GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6223 ANSWERED ON:05.05.2015 PROMOTION OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY Munde Dr.Pritam Gopinath

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government proposes to promote sheep and goats rearing in drought prone areas of Maharashtra;
- (b) If so, the total number of breeding centres proposed in the Maharashtra including Aurangabad region; and
- (c) The details of funds allocated during the last three years and current year in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) The total number of breeding centers for sheep and goat in Maharashtra are 10 out of which 5 farms are in drought prone areas of Maharashtra which includes 1 No at Padegaon Ta. District Aurangabad. These farms in Maharashtra are under State PunyashlokaAhilyadevi Maharashtra Sheep and Goat Deve- lopment Corporation (Govt. of Maharashtra Undertaking) for development of sheep and goat sector in the State. At present the Corporation has not proposed to establish any new sheep and goat breeding centers.
- (c) The details of funds allocated during the last three years and current year for development of sheep and goat breeding centre are as follows;

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S.No. Year Total fund released (Rs. In Lakh)
Plan Non Total
Plan

1 2012-13 1097.39 684.24 1781.63
2 2013-14 117.32 971.87 1089.19
3 2014-15 213.57 852.02 1065.59
4 2015-16 4887.21 958.85 5846.06
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