

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF COW SHEDS

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is allocating funds/assistance to various States for setting up of cow sheds to take proper care of cows; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the schemes being implemented by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

(a) & (b) The Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries has been implementing "Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme" since September 2010 through National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) throughout the country under which back ended capital subsidy (25% of the total sanctioned project cost for General Category and 33.33% for Schedule Tribe and Schedule Caste beneficiaries) is provided through eligible financial institutions, subject to the norms of the scheme. Under the Scheme, assistance is provided for establishment of small dairy units of 2 to 10 animals among other components. The unit cost for component of establishment of small dairy units includes purchase of cattle, cow shed, insurance etc. for proper care of cattle inducted under the component. Department has also initiated a scheme namely "Rashtriya Gokul Mission" for development and conservation of indigenous bovines as- project under "National Programme for Bovine Breeding and Dairy Development". Establishment of cattle sheds will be an integral part of Gokul Gram, as one of the component of Rashtriya Gokul Mission. Both the Schemes of the Department are demand driven and funds are allocated as demanded by the States.