

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Setting up of High Tech Small Dairies
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up high-tech small dairies in various States to boost the milk production;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received many proposals from various States including Karnataka in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

(a) & (b) The Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries does not have special scheme for setting up of high-tech small dairies. However, the Department is implementing "Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme" (DEDS) from 1.09.2010 through National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) in which back ended capital subsidy (25% of the project cost for General Category and 33.33% for SC & ST beneficiaries) is provided under bankable projects through eligible financial institutions, subject to the norms of the scheme. One of the components of DEDS is establishment of small dairy unit of 2 to 10 crossbred cows or indigenous cows/graded buffaloes.

(c) and (d) Since inception of scheme, 2,38,258 dairy units have been established across the country (including 12,743 dairy units in Karnataka) under DEDS upto 31.10.2015
