

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1881
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SHEEP BREEDING CENTRES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and details of sheep breeding centres in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the present status and details of the sheep breeding centre located at Uta in Chatra area of Jharkhand;
- (c) whether the said centres have been closed;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government has any proposal to start sheep breeding centre again; and
- (f) if so, the time by which it is likely to be started?

Answer

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

Madam, (a) As per the Allocation of Business Rules, animal husbandry is a State subject and establishing and functioning of breeding farms comes under the purview of State Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries. The details of sheep breeding farms under State government is not available with the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries (DAHD&F), New Delhi. However, there is Central Sheep Breeding Farm, Hissar under the DAHDF located in Hissar, Haryana State, which was established during 1969-70 under the Colombo Plan with an objective of supplying of rams of high genetic merit climatically acclimatized. The farm is breeding Nali X Rambouillet cross, Corridale X Sonadi cross. In addition to the supply of rams of high genetic merit the farm offers training on various sheep husbandry practices and shearing.

(b) The Sheep Breeding Farm, Chatra at Lakchanpur, Itkhori Road, Chatra is functioning under Government of Jharkhand and fully functional and maintaining 132 males of Corridale X Sahabadi crossbred and 217 females of Corridale X Sahabadi crossbred and 36 male lambs and 36 female lambs.

(c) No.

(d) to (f) The question does not arise.