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LIVESTOCK CENSUS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has released the '19th Live Stock Census-2012' recently;
- (b) if so, the details of the Census along with the year when the first Live Stock Census was conducted in the country;
- (c) Whether it is a fact that the 19th Live Stock Census shows an overall decline of 3.33% in the total live stock population as compared to the previous census of 2007;
- (d) if so, whether it is also a fact that Poultry sector has also shown a healthy increase by 12.39% over the previous census; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE (Dr. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

a) Yes, Madam. The All India report of 19th Livestock Census - 2012 was released by Hon'ble Union Minister of Agriculture on 3.9.2014; b) The first Livestock Census was conducted in 1919-20 in the country. A summary data of 19th Livestock Census by highlighting the number of animals in each livestock species is given in the following table.

CATEGORY	No. of animals(in million numbers)
Cattle #	190.90
Buffalo	108.70
Yaks	0.08
Mithuns	0.30
Sheep	65.07
Goat	135.17
Horses & Ponies	0.63
Mules	0.20
Donkeys	0.32
Camels	0.40
Pigs	10.29
TOTAL LIVESTOCK	512.06

Excluding stray cattle.

c) The total livestock population has decreased from 529.70 million in 2007 to 512.06 million numbers in 2012.

d) and e) The poultry has increased from 648.83 million numbers in 2007 to 729.21 million numbers in 2012 registering a growth of 12.39% over previous census. The details of changes in poultry population under each category are given in the table below:

(number of birds in million numbers)

CATEGORY	2007	2012	% change
Fowls	617.73	692.65	12.13
Ducks	27.64	23.54	-14.85
Turkeys & Others	3.45	13.03	277.32
Total Poultry	648.83	729.21	12.39