

Title: Need to review the decision to allow import of parent level breeding stock into poultry industry-Laid.

SHRI CHADA SURESH REDDY (HANAMKONDA): Andhra Pradesh is the largest producer of eggs and broilers and several thousand farmers and other employees are dependent on poultry industry. The subsidy given to Poultry is only 9 %. It is far less than that given in the developed countries also. In such a situation there is need to protect the domestic poultry industry against foreign competition. The Government of India has taken a decision to allow the import of parent level breeding stock into poultry industry but the apprehensions of poultry farm owners are that imported birds may bring with them diseases hitherto unknown in Indian poultry industry. It will have dangerous consequences.

I, therefore, urge upon the Government to reconsider its decision regarding import of parent level breeding stock to avoid dangerous consequences and also give more subsidies to poultry farming to save the domestic industry from competition from foreign countries.