GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:932 ANSWERED ON:24.02.2003 MILITARY DAIRY FARM, JABALPUR JAYASHREE BANERJEE

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the newly born calves and discarded cows of Military Dairy Farm, Jabalpur (M.P.) are being sent to `Dayodaya Pashu Samvardhan and Parjavaran Kendra. Gaoshala Tilwaraghat, Jabalpur (M.P.); and
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether the fodder grown for the cattle in the Dairy farm will also be sent to the Gaoshala?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

- (a) & (b): Directorate General of Military Farms has informed that unwanted male calves after 14 days of their birth and discarded animals are being given. It has further been informed that culling is very important aspect of cattle management in Dairy farming. Retention of uneconomical animals is a drain on financial position of the farm. Military Farms have a policy of offering male calves/culled animals to cattle breeders, local farmers, Regimental/Private dairies, Government/Semi Government Institutions, religious institution (Government registered) like Gau Sadan, Gaushala, Gau Ashram etc. for further rearing by them.
- (c): No, Madam.