

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:525
ANSWERED ON:28.04.2003
NATIONAL LIVESTOCK POLICY
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to formulate a uniform National Livestock Policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the salient features of the policy; and
- (c) the action taken to allocate more funds to the livestock sector as demanded by the States in the plan schemes to generate employment and also increase income to the cattle breeders?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 525 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28th APRIL, 2003.

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): National Livestock Policy is being formulated to attain qualitative and quantitative improvement in livestock, livestock products, feed and fodder resources, and also to have a better interface between modern technologies regarding breeding, nutrition and health care through various management interventions and Animal Husbandry Extension Programme, to guide the future policies and programmes.

(c): The 9th Plan allocation of Rs.1682.95 crore has been enhanced to Rs.2500 crore in 10th Plan.

New Schemes namely Foot and Mouth Disease Control Programme, Poultry/Dairy Venture Capital Funds, Strengthening of Infrastructure for Quality and Clean Milk Production and Strengthening of Database Information Net Working are being taken up during 10th Plan Period.

Release of funds under Central Plan Schemes to all States and UT's during the last five years is given below:-

Year 1998-99 1999-2000 2000-01 2001-02 2002-03

Amount (Rs. in lakh) 9028 12527 13420 15528 15181