

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:202
ANSWERED ON:04.08.2003
DEVELOPMENT OF COW PROGENY
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have taken steps for the development of cow progeny;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the success achieved so far as a result thereof; and
- (d) the amount spent for the purpose during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAJNATH SINGH)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 202 DUE FOR REPLY ON 4TH AUGUST, 2003.

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): (i) The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing various Central sector and Centrally Sponsored Schemes for genetic up-gradation and development of cows and their progeny. The Centrally Sponsored Scheme under this includes 'National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding' initiated during October, 2000. The Central sector scheme comprises Central Cattle Development Organisations, which include Central Cattle Breeding Farms, Central Fertiliser Production and Training Institute and Central Herds Registration Scheme.

(ii) The NDDDB, an autonomous organisation under the administrative control of Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying has been undertaking breed improvement programmes in the Co-operative sector.

(c): As a result of the implementation of these programmes, milk production in the country has increased from 63.8 million Tonnes in 1994-95 to 84.6 Million Tonnes in 2001-2002.

(c): (i) A sum of Rs. 131.60 crores has been released during the last three years under cattle development schemes including the release of Rs.98.62 crores under the National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding.

(ii) National Dairy Development Board and the Dairy Co-operatives have spent Rs.43.89 crores during the last three years.