

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether any livestock census has recently been conducted in the country particularly in Bihar;
- (b) if so, the number of cattle especially milch and cross breed recorded in the country, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Union Government and the State Governments to increase the number of cattle and also to improve their breed?

Answer

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

- (a) Last quinquennial livestock census in the country, was conducted in 1997. Bihar State did not conduct the census.
- (b) The state-wise provisional population of total cattle, crossbred cattle and milch cattle is given in Annexure-I.
- (c) The thrust of the government policies and programmes is on scientific management and upgradation of genetic resources. A Centrally Sponsored Scheme, 'National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding' (NPCBB) is being implemented with the principal objectives of making available high quality breeding inputs at the doorstep of the farmers and evolving programmes towards conservation of indigenous breeds. At present 17 States are participating in the project.

In addition to this the Government is also implementing in the central sector a Central Cattle Development Organization scheme for production, registration and supply of high pedigreed bulls for the breeding programmes.

Annexure - I

Total Cattle, Crossbred Cattle and Milch Cattle in India - 1997 - State-wise (Provisional)

(in 000)

Sl.No. States/UTs Total Cattle Crossbred Milch Cattle

Sl.No.	States/UTs	Total Cattle	Crossbred	Milch Cattle
1	Andhra Pradesh	10602	751	2528
2	Arunachal Pradesh	453	10	96
3	Assam	8080	369	2138
4	Bihar	23550	211	5334
5	Goa	92	11	27
6	Gujarat	6749	342	2171
7	Haryana	2488	792	758
8	Himachal Pradesh	2174	368	1293
9	J & K	3175	1083	978
10	Karnataka	10831	1293	3668
11	Kerala	3396	3627	1641
12	Madhya Pradesh	19967	170	5725
13	Maharashtra	18072	2457	5352
14	Manipur	508	69	111
15	Meghalaya	756	17	222
16	Mizoram	33	8	10
17	Nagaland	383	124	87
18	Orissa	13810	912	3752
19	Punjab	2632	1822	1149
20	Rajasthan	12881	211	4635
21	Sikkim	143	52	48
22	Tamil Nadu	14931	2503	5074
23	Tripura	1228	73	410

24	Uttar Pradesh	20016	2105	5270
25	West Bengal	17832	936	5211
26	A & N Islands	60	6	21
27	Chandigarh	7	6	4
28	D & N Haveli	60	1	10
29	Delhi	96	60	57
30	Lakshadweep	3	1	0
31	Pondicherry	73	50	34
32	Daman & Diu	5	0	1
33	Chhatisgarh	8786	105	2523
34	Uttaranchal	2031	103	615

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Source: Provisional reports of Livestock Census, State Departments of Animal Husbandry.

Note: 1 For Bihar, Himachal, Kerala and Dadra & Nagar Haveli projections have been used.
2 Milch cattle includes Crossbred and Indigenous.