

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2778  
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LIVESTOCK CENSUS  
RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH

**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether census reports for 1997 and 2002 are not yet available;
- (b) if so, by when it is likely to be made available;
- (c) the State in which census has not been done and on what basis their figures will be included;
- (d) whether it was found that the States in which census was not carried out, population of animals was far more than national average in earlier reports; and
- (e) if so, the details of the reforms for carrying out census suggested by the Planning Commission and some other expert group ?

**Answer**

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

- (a): Yes, Sir.
- (b): The census report of 1997 is likely to be made available by November, 2003. The 17th Livestock due in 2002 is going to be conducted with reference date 15th October 2003 and provisional report thereof is likely to be available by September 2004.
- (c): The States of Bihar, Himachal Pradesh, West Bengal and the Union Territory of Dadra & Nagar Haveli have not conducted the 16th livestock census in 1997. The data for these States have been projected on the basis of annual growth rates of these States,
- (d): Yes, Sir. The annual growth rate of these States are more than the National annual growth rate.
- (e): Some basic features of the households have been added in the schedules of the 17th Livestock Census and the States/Union Territories have been directed to conduct the Livestock census on reference date. Timely reporting of data by the States/Union Territory will be achieved through computerization of data, better coordination and supervision.