

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:520
ANSWERED ON:02.05.2005
IMPROVEMENT IN QUALITY OF MILK PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the funds released under Integrated Dairy Development Project (IDDP) are not being used properly thereby slowing the growth of improvement in the dairy sector in Non-Operation, Flood Area;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the concrete steps taken by the Government to improve yield and quality of milk products in the country ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.520 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND MAY, 2005.

(a) & (b) Integrated Dairy Development Project (IDDP), a plan scheme was started during 1993-94 in the Non-Operation Flood hilly and backward areas of the country, having no or low potential for milk production. The pace of implementation has been slow in some areas mainly due to the fact that the areas covered are very backward, hilly and lack general infrastructure and had no tradition of dairying. Since inception of the scheme, 62 projects with a total outlay of Rs. 334.09 crores have been sanctioned in 26 States and Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The Scheme has benefited about 7.12 lakh farm families by organizing them into about 11,600 Village level Dairy Cooperative Societies, which are procuring about 6.45 lakh litres of milk per day as on 31st December' 2004.

(c) The Intensive Dairy Development Programme, modified version of IDDP, has provision for providing technical inputs to the farmers to improve yield and quality of milk. The Government of India is also implementing the following schemes to improve yield and quality of milk and milk products in the country:

- (i) National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding
- (ii) Strengthening Infrastructure for Quality and Clean Milk Production.
- (iii) Assistance to States for Feed and Fodder Development.
- (iv) Dairy/Poultry Venture Capital Fund