

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
LOK SABHA**

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Shortage of Fodder in Drought Affected Areas  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- a) the details of the arrangements made by the Government and funds spent during the last three years as on date for saving livestock and providing fodder in the drought affected areas;
- (b) whether the livestock owners in the drought affected areas have sent their cattles to other States due to the shortage of fodder; and
- (c) if so, the facilities/assistance being provided by the Government to make available adequate fodder for the livestock?

**Answer**

ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a)to(c) Government of India has already taken necessary steps to increase feed and fodder production in various parts the country by providing financial assistance to the States and UTs under Centrally Sponsored National Livestock Mission of Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DADF) with a Sub Mission on Feed and Fodder Development for the following components. The Mission is in operational since 2014-15 in all the States and Union Territories including the drought affected areas.

S. N. Name of the Components

1. Fodder Production from Non-forest wasteland/ rangeland/ grassland/ non-arable land
2. Fodder production from Forest land
3. Fodder Seed Procurement/ Production & Distribution
4. Introduction of Hand Driven Chaff-Cutter
5. Introduction of Power Driven Chaff-Cutter
6. Distribution of low capacity, tractor mountable Fodder Block Making units, hay baling machines/reapers/forage harvesters
7. Establishment of silage making Units
8. Establishment of by-pass protein production units
9. Establishment of Area Specific Mineral Mixture / Feed Pelleting/ Feed Manufacturing Unit.
10. Establishment/modernization of Feed Testing Laboratories

Additional Fodder Development Programme (AFDP) as a sub-scheme of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojna (RKVY) of Department of Agriculture, Co-operation and Farmers Welfare is also being operational since 2014-15 to mitigate the adverse impacts of drought in drought affected States which is continuing at present.

Further, in addition to this, financial assistance is also provided under the normal programme of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojna (RKVY) of Department of Agriculture, Co-operation and Farmers Welfare for other fodder developmental activities planned by the States which is supported by Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries.

Details of funds released under sub Mission feed and fodder development of NLM and AFDP of RKVY is annexed at Annexure I and II.

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