

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & DAIRYING
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & DAIRYING
RAJYA SABHA
ADMITTED QUESTION NO. 1235
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH DECEMBER, 2022

ASSISTANCE IN RESPECT OF ANIMAL LOSSES DURING NATURAL CALAMITIES

1235. SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & DAIRYING be pleased to state?

- (a) whether Government has received any proposals from different State Governments to provide assistance in respect of the animal losses during natural disaster;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps Government has taken in this regard; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)**

(a) and (b): Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Government of India does not have any scheme to provide assistance in respect of the animal losses during natural disaster. As gathered from the Ministry of Home Affairs (Disaster Management Division), no specific proposal has been received from any State Governments to provide assistance in respect of the animal losses.

(c) and (d): Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Government of India had prepared the National Disaster Management Plan, 2016 and also issued the guidelines/advisories to the states/UTs in respect to natural calamities like monsoon/flood, draught/heat wave and cold wave for taking advance preparatory measures accordingly. Further, as gathered from Ministry of Home Affairs, the primary responsibility for disaster management rests with the State Governments concerned. The concerned State Government undertakes relief measures in the wake of natural disasters from the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) already placed at their disposal in accordance with Government of India's approved items and norms. Additional financial assistance in the form of relief and not compensation is provided from the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) as per the established procedure. Further, as communicated by MHA, assistance for the loss of milch animals, draught animals or animals used for haulage is provided from NDRF as one of the component of entire scheme. The Assistance is provided as per the recommendation of Inter-Ministerial Central Team's (IMCT) report, recommendation of the Sub-Committee of the National Executive Committee (SC-NEC) and subsequently approval of High Level Committee (HLC).
