

PERFORMANCE OF NATIONAL LIVESTOCK MISSION

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The Department is implementing the National Livestock Mission - Entrepreneurship Development Programme (NLM-EDP) which provides a 50% capital subsidy (upto Rs.25.00 lakh) for setting up rural poultry breed development ventures. Between the financial years 2021-22 and 2025-26, a total of 208 poultry sector projects have been approved under this initiative, expected to generate 1,201 employment opportunities.

Data with regard to increase of per animal productivity through breed improvement is not maintained in the records of this Department.

As per available records of the Department the percentage of increase in production of meat, egg and goat milk from FY 2019-20 to FY 2023-24 is as follows:

Year/Product	Meat		Egg		Goat Milk	
	Production (000 Tns)	Annual Growth Rate (%)	Production (Lakhs Nos)	Annual Growth Rate (%)	Production (000 Tns)	Annual Growth Rate (%)
2019-20	8599.99	5.98%	1143831	10.19%	5850.14	- 4.08%
2020-21	8797.92	2.30%	1220496	6.70%	6261.87	7.04%
2021-22	9292.14	5.62%	1296003	6.19%	6602.56	5.44%
2022-23	9768.64	5.13%	1383763	6.77%	7599.60	15.10%
2023-24	10252.65	4.95%	1427716	3.18%	7805.56	2.71%

The Department is implementing the Livestock Insurance initiative under the Centrally Sponsored National Livestock Mission (NLM) across all districts of the country. The objective is to help farmers and livestock owners manage risks and uncertainties by offering a protection mechanism against the loss of animals due to death. The scheme covers insurance for indigenous/ crossbred milch animals, pack animals (such as horses, donkey, mules, camels, ponies and male cattle/ buffaloes), as well as other livestock like goats, sheep, pigs, rabbits, yaks and mithuns.

Subsidy benefits are limited to 10 cattle units per household for all animals except pigs and rabbits, where the limit is 5 cattle units (with 1 cattle unit equalling 10 small animals). To improve affordability, the farmer's share of the insurance premium has been simplified and reduced from the earlier 20 to 50% range to a uniform 15%. The remaining 85% of the premium is jointly funded by the Centre and States in a 60:40 ratio for most states, and 90:10 for the Himalayan and North-Eastern regions.

Over the past five years, Rs.135.3215 Cr. has been released under the scheme, insuring a total of 55.86 lakh animals.

This information was given by Union Minister of State, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Prof. S.P. Singh Baghel, in a written reply in Rajya Sabha on 23rd July, 2025.

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