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DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
LOK SABHA
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PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

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Will the Minister of **FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING**

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be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of licensed/registered slaughter houses, including modern/mechanised abattoirs conforming to the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Slaughter House) Rules, 2001 in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government estimates the number of unlicensed or unregulated slaughter houses operating in the country and, if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether any data have been maintained by the Government on livestock slaughtered in licensed and unlicensed premises in the country, if so, the details and figures during the last three years;
- (d) the deployment of veterinary officers for mandatory inspections and instances of slaughter without inspection or of diseased, unfit or pregnant animals in the country, State-wise;
- (e) the Central assistance released for establishment/modernisation of slaughter houses during the said period; and
- (f) the measures taken by the Government to strengthen disease surveillance, enforce humane slaughter and waste-management norms, curb illegal slaughter and inter-State transport of animals, and the timeline therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

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(a) & (b) The State wise number of registered/unregistered slaughter houses as per 20th Livestock census 2019: All India Report is annexed **(Annexure-I)**.

(c) The Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying (DAHD) does not estimate data on livestock slaughtered in licensed or unlicensed premises in the country separately. However, as per 20th Livestock Census, 2019: All India Report, the State-wise estimates of number of cattle, sheep, goat, pig & poultry slaughtered for meat production during 2022-23, 2023-24 & 2024-25 is annexed **(Annexure-II)**.

(d) The deployment of veterinary officers and State-wise information regarding slaughter without veterinary inspection or slaughter of diseased, unfit or pregnant animals are maintained by the concerned State Governments/UT Administrations and Local Authorities and are not maintained by the DAHD.

(e) The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India has not released any financial assistance for establishment or modernization of slaughter houses during the last three years.

(f) The Government has taken several measures to strengthen disease surveillance, promote humane slaughter practices, regulate animal transport and prevent illegal slaughter. These include:

(i) Disease Surveillance: Government of India (GoI) has strengthened surveillance of animal diseases by adopting the following measures:

- Financial support provided to Central Disease Diagnostic Laboratory (CDDL) Indian Veterinary Research Institute (IVRI), Bareilly, five Regional Disease Diagnostic Laboratories (RDDs) of States for strengthening disease surveillance and other activities.
- Financial assistance provided to Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) Institutes namely National Institute of Foot and Mouth Disease (NIFMD) Indian Veterinary Research Institute (IVRI) Bengaluru, IVRI Bareilly and National Institute on Veterinary Epidemiology and Disease Informatics (NIVEDI) Bengaluru for carrying out animal disease surveillance and other related activities.
- ICAR-National Institute of High Security Animal Diseases (NIHSAD), Bhopal undertakes surveillance of emerging and exotic trans-boundary animal diseases through laboratory-based surveillance.
- Financial assistance provided to states for training and awareness on Good Animal Husbandry Practices, Biosecurity/Sanitary measures, vaccination against animal diseases, disease surveillance and monitoring and capacity building.
- To strengthen the early warning system, ICAR-NIVEDI has developed National Animal Disease Referral Expert System (NADRES) 2.0 which provides district-level forecasts of potential animal disease risks around two months in advance.
- Bharat Pashudhan portal has been developed for various activities including surveillance of livestock diseases.
- ICAR has strengthened the surveillance for livestock diseases through the National Animal Disease Epidemiology Network (NADEN).

(ii) Humane Slaughter: The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Slaughter House) Rules, 2001, notified under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960, prescribe standards for slaughter houses and humane slaughter of animals. Pursuant to the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 330 of 2001, Common Cause Vs Union of India & Others, the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change had issued a Compendium of Rules and Regulations relating to slaughter houses to facilitate compliance with the applicable statutory provisions. The Animal Welfare Board of India issues advisories from time to time.

(iii) Waste Management: Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has also notified discharge standards for slaughter houses, meat processing units and seafood industry under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. The Slaughter houses are required to comply the discharge standards and consent conditions stipulated in Consent to Establish and Consent to Operate issued by State Pollution Control Boards/Pollution Control Committees. CPCB also issued directions on 13.01.2022 under Section 18(1)(b) of the Water Act, 1974 and the Air Act, 1981 for installation of rendering plants by slaughterhouses.

(iv) Prevention of Illegal Slaughter and Regulation of Animal Transport: The Transport of Animals Rules, 1978, notified under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960, prescribe standards for transportation of animals to prevent cruelty during transit. Prevention of illegal slaughter and enforcement of applicable laws relating to slaughter houses and transport of animals are primarily the responsibility of the respective State Governments and Union Territory Administrations.

State-wise Number of Slaughter House		
State / UT	Slaughter House	
	Registered	Unregistered
1	2	3
Andaman And Nicobar Islands	3	3
Andhra Pradesh	19082	5571
Arunachal Pradesh	67	98
Assam	6730	2510
Bihar	2262	1838
Chandigarh	1	0
Chhattisgarh	9948	608
Dadra And Nagar Haveli	-	-
Daman And Diu	0	0
Delhi	956	168
Goa	9	0
Gujarat	10735	2176
Haryana	680	729
Himachal Pradesh	824	297
Jammu And Kashmir	589	1493
Jharkhand	1471	879
Karnataka	1885	6214
Kerala	254	1554
Lakshadweep	0	0
Madhya Pradesh	11260	1266
Maharashtra	63587	9942
Manipur	28	46
Meghalaya	25	37
Mizoram	7	48
Nagaland	278	840
Odisha	3805	2569
Puducherry	3	16
Punjab	916	111
Rajasthan	3585	1421
Sikkim	35	47
Tamil Nadu	41351	8010
Telangana	14658	2936
Tripura	235	805
Uttar Pradesh	31349	7518
Uttarakhand	56	67
West Bengal	13138	5559
Total:	239812	65376

Source- 20th Livestock census 2019: All India Report

State-wise Estimates of Number of Cattle slaughtered for Meat Production during (Figures in 000)							
S. No.	States/ UTs	Cattle			Buffalo		
		2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
1	Andhra Pradesh	0.00	148.25	0.00	1249.40	1454.34	1653.70
2	Arunachal Pradesh	126.77	143.96	133.67	12.00	13.84	13.46
3	Assam	62.25	66.41	16.10	2.50	2.67	2.12
4	Bihar	0.00	0.00	0.00	1389.02	1376.76	1430.00
5	Chhattisgarh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6	Goa	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.68	2.68	2.44
7	Gujarat	0.00	0.00	0.00	11.46	12.22	10.76
8	Haryana	0.00	0.00	0.00	134.46	183.82	192.89
9	Himachal Pradesh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	Jammu & Kashmir	0.00	0.00	0.00	52.41	60.51	68.12
11	Jharkhand	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.04	2.70	2.77
12	Karnataka	0.00	0.00	0.00	39.49	38.82	37.39
13	Kerala	905.82	900.43	918.16	1173.53	1293.05	1370.31
14	Madhya Pradesh	0.00	0.00	0.00	305.02	305.81	297.77
15	Maharashtra	0.00	0.00	0.00	1153.66	1234.93	1268.26
16	Manipur	96.38	102.30	107.68	53.91	56.16	52.28
17	Meghalaya	293.25	322.48	334.77	5.85	6.23	5.45
18	Mizoram	32.71	35.01	34.28	1.96	1.29	1.39
19	Nagaland	56.21	52.81	57.03	20.55	22.53	20.64
20	Odisha	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
21	Punjab	0.00	0.00	0.00	782.01	832.88	917.90
22	Rajasthan	0.00	0.00	0.00	1189.22	1189.72	1206.09
23	Sikkim	13.10	16.84	19.67	2.15	2.22	2.30
24	Tamil Nadu	432.76	497.30	501.35	23.32	17.05	18.88
25	Telangana	0.00	0.00	0.00	1323.62	1335.30	1429.54
26	Tripura	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
27	Uttar Pradesh	0.00	0.00	0.00	4590.50	4988.20	5041.00
28	Uttarakhand	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.23	9.53	8.68
29	West Bengal	134.76	141.04	133.68	89.10	87.12	89.44
30	A&N Islands	0.48	0.48	0.46	0.31	0.32	0.27
31	Chandigarh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
32	Ladakh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
33	Daman & Diu	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
34	Delhi	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
35	Lakshadweep	0.10	0.10	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00
36	Puducherry	14.57	14.82	12.88	0.89	0.87	0.84
Total		2169.15	2442.23	2269.81	13620.31	14531.57	15144.70

State-wise Estimates of Number of Sheep & Goats slaughtered for Meat Production during (Figures in 000)							
S. No.	States/ UTs	Sheep			Goat		
		2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
1	Andhra Pradesh	20026.31	26513.99	27895.22	5264.19	6657.60	6095.21
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1.90	2.48	2.23	202.07	230.72	215.72
3	Assam	346.92	399.71	351.38	2878.69	2707.10	2723.07
4	Bihar	129.75	126.76	120.12	12127.66	12448.95	13511.98
5	Chhattisgarh	120.19	141.83	165.67	1080.82	1255.39	1392.03
6	Goa	0.00	0.00	0.00	183.01	178.90	189.46
7	Gujarat	27.71	31.10	29.71	49.17	56.18	63.52
8	Haryana	871.78	1019.64	1100.00	431.14	381.45	351.28
9	Himachal Pradesh	33.44	34.86	34.22	88.10	92.49	85.02
10	Jammu & Kashmir	1247.51	1346.31	1403.00	705.18	818.13	742.68
11	Jharkhand	156.40	173.04	156.59	3822.68	4257.69	4262.52
12	Karnataka	9564.35	10073.31	10597.02	6462.78	7008.71	6534.69
13	Kerala	0.00	3.85	3.70	850.26	882.82	899.54
14	Madhya Pradesh	117.83	119.85	125.01	2484.18	2648.10	2729.77
15	Maharashtra	1352.94	1079.57	1117.09	9152.25	10201.62	11665.44
16	Manipur	48.86	51.91	45.99	75.20	80.41	80.69
17	Meghalaya	0.00	0.00	0.00	151.46	170.57	160.25
18	Mizoram	3.05	3.05	2.97	20.72	25.88	25.19
19	Nagaland	0.00	0.00	0.00	33.83	38.99	34.79
20	Odisha	1350.74	1324.63	1422.62	6669.25	6864.46	7182.13
21	Punjab	318.46	352.97	321.00	548.14	617.59	592.14
22	Rajasthan	4508.16	4735.27	4797.86	7397.97	7736.74	7284.96
23	Sikkim	0.65	0.66	0.65	10.19	12.75	11.76
24	Tamil Nadu	5762.11	5684.74	5229.04	6457.28	7709.25	7057.23
25	Telangana	24838.06	24675.00	25491.54	6476.25	6918.30	6315.88
26	Tripura	0.00	0.00	0.00	518.75	302.25	308.38
27	Uttar Pradesh	592.32	596.89	574.61	5349.12	5553.74	5220.27
28	Uttarakhand	95.19	105.69	97.15	336.33	400.40	413.33
29	West Bengal	2029.87	1950.82	1906.97	42839.22	48188.85	47608.88
30	A&N Islands	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.04	12.94	11.23
31	Chandigarh	11.26	9.94	9.27	24.93	26.06	28.75
32	Ladakh	43.83	45.54	46.89	27.58	26.45	24.24
33	Daman & Diu	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.93	0.00	14.15
34	Delhi	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.80
35	Lakshadweep	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.87	1.70	1.59
36	Puducherry	103.87	100.75	99.00	656.24	661.25	669.83
Total		73703.46	80704.16	83146.53	123400.46	135174.43	134508.42

State-wise Estimates of Number of Pig & Poultry slaughtered for Meat Production during (Figures in 000)							
S. No.	States/ UTs	Pig			Poultry		
		2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
1	Andhra Pradesh	52.11	75.24	69.74	391509.39	270004.09	292970.53
2	Arunachal Pradesh	115.33	125.89	116.26	1133.72	1133.71	1101.87
3	Assam	678.40	721.35	695.65	9855.58	9285.47	9432.49
4	Bihar	1426.34	1358.88	1400.00	105575.88	105915.37	107349.26
5	Chhattisgarh	114.16	124.82	128.24	28482.88	31343.32	31529.96
6	Goa	34.61	37.22	39.09	3049.57	3349.92	3202.00
7	Gujarat	6.83	7.93	5.81	31534.29	33053.70	33965.39
8	Haryana	188.81	156.83	163.81	437608.05	467932.47	470428.90
9	Himachal Pradesh	2.14	2.12	2.02	2291.01	2286.60	2376.07
10	Jammu & Kashmir	0.00	0.00	0.00	44249.63	42000.23	39519.92
11	Jharkhand	611.50	621.86	645.51	23477.98	23676.87	25041.99
12	Karnataka	110.31	120.53	115.44	119659.17	124366.80	118205.13
13	Kerala	123.93	135.02	124.59	144960.39	155743.39	151570.89
14	Madhya Pradesh	97.28	93.93	85.66	70875.23	73460.45	75617.48
15	Maharashtra	1162.15	1156.31	1116.48	411457.24	475731.94	480154.66
16	Manipur	148.32	170.61	158.65	4432.45	4437.81	4345.99
17	Meghalaya	389.62	417.87	398.69	2707.99	2717.99	3834.48
18	Mizoram	57.09	58.59	54.49	2631.20	2583.65	2559.89
19	Nagaland	159.20	172.68	163.43	727.16	727.16	735.43
20	Odisha	98.36	98.36	99.86	81221.58	84811.62	86281.88
21	Punjab	15.56	14.27	13.28	136256.38	138805.55	132522.43
22	Rajasthan	484.37	484.36	424.13	10683.50	10937.85	10725.33
23	Sikkim	22.63	22.60	21.64	892.16	916.72	903.25
24	Tamil Nadu	110.14	65.91	66.01	313938.35	331093.70	344771.98
25	Telangana	167.04	191.57	172.90	346944.89	367760.38	355272.37
26	Tripura	275.90	304.78	307.86	20149.06	19755.71	19589.14
27	Uttar Pradesh	1162.19	1195.05	1225.11	302534.19	303052.30	310589.31
28	Uttarakhand	28.34	26.25	25.23	8806.29	9904.41	10395.71
29	West Bengal	1476.56	1648.08	1699.32	250110.45	250110.45	260946.83
30	A&N Islands	10.24	11.72	10.49	2673.45	2731.64	2540.51
31	Chandigarh	3.21	2.98	3.01	53.00	47.17	41.10
32	Ladakh	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.72	10.91	11.93
33	Daman & Diu	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
34	Delhi	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
35	Lakshadweep	0.00	0.00	0.00	66.74	66.74	69.13

36	Puducherry	0.89	1.04	1.10	5213.98	5213.98	5326.46
Total		9333.55	9624.65	9553.50	3315773.55	3354970.07	3393929.70

State-wise Estimates of Number of Total animals slaughtered for Meat Production including, Cattle, Buffalo, Sheep, Goat, Pig & Poultry during (Figures in 000)

S. No.	States/ UTs	Total no of Animal (Meat production 2022-23)	Total no of Animal (Meat production 2023-24)	Total no of Animal (Meat production 2024-25)
1	Andhra Pradesh	418101.40	304853.51	328684.40
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1591.78	1650.60	1583.22
3	Assam	13824.34	13182.71	13220.81
4	Bihar	120648.65	121226.72	123811.36
5	Chhattisgarh	29798.05	32865.36	33215.90
6	Goa	3269.87	3568.72	3432.99
7	Gujarat	31629.46	33161.13	34075.19
8	Haryana	439234.24	469674.21	472236.88
9	Himachal Pradesh	2414.69	2416.07	2497.33
10	Jammu & Kashmir	46254.73	44225.18	41733.72
11	Jharkhand	28070.60	28732.16	30109.38
12	Karnataka	135836.11	141608.17	135489.67
13	Kerala	148013.93	158958.56	154887.19
14	Madhya Pradesh	73879.53	76628.14	78855.70
15	Maharashtra	424278.23	489404.37	495321.93
16	Manipur	4855.12	4899.20	4791.28
17	Meghalaya	3548.17	3635.14	4733.64
18	Mizoram	2746.72	2707.47	2678.22
19	Nagaland	996.95	1014.17	1011.32
20	Odisha	89339.94	93099.07	94986.49

21	Punjab	137920.56	140623.26	134366.75
22	Rajasthan	24263.23	25083.94	24438.38
23	Sikkim	940.88	971.79	959.27
24	Tamil Nadu	326723.96	345067.95	357644.50
25	Telangana	379749.87	400880.55	388682.23
26	Tripura	20943.71	20362.74	20205.38
27	Uttar Pradesh	314228.33	315386.18	322650.30
28	Uttarakhand	9275.38	10446.28	10940.10
29	West Bengal	296679.96	302126.36	312385.14
30	A&N Islands	2694.51	2757.10	2562.95
31	Chandigarh	92.40	86.15	82.13
32	Ladakh	82.13	82.90	83.06
33	Daman & Diu	13.93	0.00	14.15
34	Delhi	0.00	0.00	0.80
35	Lakshadweep	68.71	68.54	70.80
36	Puducherry	5990.44	5992.71	6110.11
Total		3538000.48	3597447.11	3638552.65

Source: State/UT Animal Husbandry Departments as Published in Basic Animal Husbandry Statistics (BAHS) 2024 &2025