

UP's biggest cow shelter to come up in Muzaffarnagar: Union Minister



Union minister of state for fisheries, animal husbandry and dairying, Sanjeev Balyan, has announced the setting up of the 'biggest' state of the art cow shelter in Uttar Pradesh.

The proposed cow sanctuary will come up along the banks of the Solani River in Chandan village of Muzaffarnagar district.

The minister said, "Spanning across 800 bigha of land at an estimated budget of Rs 70 crore, the shelter will have a capacity to house more than 5,000 stray bovines." The minister said, "This sanctuary will solve some of the issues related to stray cattle. The project will come up soon."

The pilot project will be prepared by the animal husbandry department and subsequently handed over to the district administration, which has already identified a sprawling area in the Purkazi region for the proposed sanctuary.

Mother Dairy hikes milk prices by Rs 2/litre; Amul says no plan to increase



Mother Dairy hiked milk prices by Rs 2 per litre in the Delhi-NCR market, citing an increase in its procurement rate of raw milk from producers.

This is the fifth increase in milk prices since March, with the cumulative hike now totalling up to Rs 9 per litre, or 16 per cent, by Mother Dairy — one of the leading milk suppliers in Delhi-NCR.

R S Sodhi, MD of Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation (GCMMF), which markets milk under Amul brand and is a major player in Delhi-NCR, said that there is no plan to increase its milk prices in the near future.

Mother Dairy has decided not to raise prices of cow milk and token (bulk vended) milk variants.

Mother Dairy pointed that The procurement prices of raw milk have gone up by about 24 per cent over the last year due to higher input costs and heatwave conditions.

J-K: Rural livelihood security set to be a reality under HDAS scheme



With an outlay of Rs. 5013 crores over the next five years under the newly approved Holistic Development of Agriculture and Allied Sectors (HDAS) scheme, a new phase of farmer prosperity and rural livelihood security across Jammu and Kashmir will become a reality.

The scheme will transform the agriculture economy of J&K putting it on a new trajectory of growth, doubling the output of the sectors, boosting exports and making the sectors sustainable & commercially viable.

The unique 29 projects under the scheme will almost double the output of the sectors, boosting exports and making the sectors sustainable & commercially viable, an official said and added that these gains shall be equitable, reaching the last person in the pyramid and ecologically sustainable through efficient use of bio-resources for food, feed & industry.

Odisha Cabinet approves Rs 367 cr for 'Empowerment of Women in Agriculture'

The Odisha Cabinet headed by Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik approved the provision of Rs 367.19 crores for five years from 2022-23 to 2026-27 for implementation of the State Sector Scheme “empowerment of women in agriculture-promotion of entrepreneurship for women SHG”, the government said.

“The scheme is introduced with an objective to double the mushroom production across the State through area expansion involving women beneficiaries/WSHGs and to make the state self-sufficient in the production of button mushroom and loose flowers,” an official statement said.



“The scheme will ensure sustainable income generation of women beneficiaries/WSHGs & the state shall emerge as the net exporter of mushroom and high-value flowers over the mission period,” it added.

The state Cabinet has also approved the provision of Rs1142.24 crore for four years from 2022-23 to 2025-26 for implementation Of the State Sector Scheme- “Development of Potato, Vegetable and Spices” with the involvement of WSHGs and FPOs.

“It will provide ample scope for employment generation in rural areas and augmentation of the income of the farmers. The present dependency of the state on other states for Vegetables like potatoes, onions, and seed spices will be brought down and the state will be self-sufficient,” it added.

Kerala to end energy-intensive irrigation practices, says Agri Minister



Kerala Agriculture Minister P Prasad said efforts are on to propagate solar energy-based irrigation facilities which can phase out existing energy-intensive farming practices.

The southern State has already initiated a transformational and holistic shift to sustainable methods of cultivation, livelihood diversification, decentralised renewables and energy efficiency to help farmers survive the climate crisis, he said.

The State is preparing an action plan to help decrease energy-intensive methodologies in land preparation, adding inputs, irrigation and harvesting, the Minister said after inaugurating a two-day consultation on 'Energy Transition in Agriculture Sector of Kerala,' organised jointly by Asar Social Impact Advisors and Energy Management Centre (EMC) under KSEB here.

The State had accelerated its massive carbon neutral initiative that would help develop a better farming ecosystem, he detailed.

Prasad said that food processing and value-addition processes would also be brought under renewable energy. Kerala would explore renewable energy alternatives to fossil fuel sources to ensure that food systems are built on secure, environmentally sustainable, resilient foundations, Prasad added.

Women Entrepreneur who turned Dairy start-up into Success

Shivani Reddy, a B.Tech graduate, has always been inclined towards entrepreneurship since childhood. She took first tentative steps towards becoming an entrepreneur by quitting a lucrative job at Microsoft and deciding to take forward her husband's hobby of breeding cows by starting Goudhaara at their Moinabad farm.



It all began when she initially started receiving orders from the neighbourhood. And, very soon when the order volumes grew rapidly; she discovered that there is a massive demand for organic farm milk among households in Hyderabad, Telangana.

Spread over 25 acres, the dairy farm hosts 200 Gir breed cows, with the majority being imported from Gujarat. The dairy business also promotes sustainable farming by raising cattle only on organic feed, and without using antibiotics and hormones.

Shivani Reddy is now looking to foray into the online retail segment by collaborating up with delivery apps for quicker delivery of products. Additionally, she is also planning to launch an app soon to help milk subscribers order milk and other products online.

The woman entrepreneur pooled money from different sources, including financial institutions, to invest Rs 1 crore in infrastructure, and is proving direct employment to 25 people and indirect employment to over 50 people.

“With the increasing demand for organic milk, addressing the needs of the bigger market is our biggest challenge. But now we have the proper infrastructure in place to meet the market demand,” says the young entrepreneur.

Organic dairy player Akshayakalpa plans production clusters in Telangana, Maharashtra

Organic dairy player Akshayakalpa Farms and Foods Pvt Ltd is planning new production clusters in Telangana and Maharashtra as it prepares to serve the markets of Hyderabad, Pune and Mumbai. He also hopes to start buying from farmers in his production group in Chengalpattu from March to serve the Chennai market.

Producing and selling organic milk and dairy products through a network of certified farms, Akshayakalpa currently has two production groups, one in Karnataka and one in Tamil Nadu. In its Tiptur cluster in Karnataka, the start-up has 850 certified farms, where 9,500 animals are tagged and managed through the herd management system, while in the Chengalpattu cluster there are about 300 farms with 1,800 animals.



The company recently raised Rs 117 crore from British International Investment, Rainmatter Foundation and Venture Dairy in series B funds, which it plans to use to expand its operations.

Akshayakalpa has been marketing its organic milk and value-added products in the three urban markets of Bengaluru, Chennai and Hyderabad. The company recorded monthly sales of Rs 18 crore in these three markets. “We’ve had 40 percent top-line growth from April to now this year compared to the same period last year,” said Shashikumar, co-founder and CEO of Akshayakalpa.

Major achievements of the Indian Government in the agriculture sector during 2022

The current financial year has seen a lot of regulatory as well as technological changes which will help push Indian Agriculture to new levels. Here listed the top 10 indicators that will bring prosperity to Indian farmers and will help India in maintaining its self-reliance in agriculture production.

1. Unprecedented Enhancement in Budget Allocation

The Budget allocation for the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare has been increased to Rs. 1,24,000 crore in 2022-23.

2. Record Food Grains and Horticulture Production

Food grain production has increased from 308.65 million tonnes in January 2022 to 315.72 million tonnes in December 2022 (as per 4th advance estimates) which is the highest-ever food grain production.

As per third-advanced estimates, horticulture production during 2020-21 was 331.05 million MT which increased to 342.33 million MT during 2021-22. It is the highest-ever production for Indian horticulture.



3. Fixing MSP at one-and-a-half times the cost of production

The government has increased the MSP for all mandated Kharif, Rabi, and other commercial crops with a return of at least 50 percent overall India-weighted average cost of production from 2018-19.

MSP for Paddy (common) has increased to Rs. 2040 per quintal in December 2022 from Rs. 1940 per quintal in January 2022. MSP for Wheat increased from Rs. 2015 per quintal in January 2022 to Rs. 2125 per quintal in December 2022.

4. Increase in procurement from farmers

In 2021-22, a quantity of 31,08,941.96 MT of pulses, oilseeds, and copra having an MSP value of Rs 17,093.13 crore benefiting 14,68,699 farmers has been done.

5. Agri Infrastructure Fund

Since the inception of AIF, upto January 2022 the scheme sanctioned Rs.11,891 Crore worth of agriculture infrastructure in the country for more than 16000 projects whereas till December 2022 sanctioned Rs. 13,681 Crore worth of agriculture infrastructure in the country for more than 18133 projects.

Upto December 2022, 8076 warehouses, 2788 primary processing units, 1860 custom hiring centers, 937 sorting & grading units, 696 cold store projects, 163 assaying units and around 3613 other kinds of post-harvest management projects and community farming assets have been created.

6. Drones in Agriculture

To make Drone technology affordable to the farmers and other stakeholders of this sector, financial assistance at 100 % cost of the drone together with the contingent expenditure is extended under Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) for its demonstration on the farmer's fields

Dairying & Sustainable Development Goals

Centre of Excellence for Dairy Skills in India (CEDSI) helps the empowerment and betterment of Livelihood for farmers, wage workers, and other stakeholders in the Dairy & allied sector value chain. We have taken this initiative to aware all the stakeholders on how working in dairy sector would bring real change. Every week we shall publish about how each goal is associated with dairy & livestock and is bringing holistic sustainable development for all. This is the 17th article in the series.

Goal 17 : Partnerships for the Goals

Sustainable Development Goal 17 aims to Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development. SDG 17 Targets

1. Mobilize resources to improve domestic revenue collection
2. Implement all development assistance commitments
3. Mobilize financial resources for developing countries
4. Assist developing countries in attaining debt sustainability
5. Invest in least-developed countries
6. Knowledge sharing and cooperation for access to science, technology and innovation
7. Promote sustainable technologies to developing countries
8. Strengthen the science, technology and innovation capacity for least-developed countries
9. Enhanced SDG capacity in developing countries

Livestock perfect partner for SDG 17

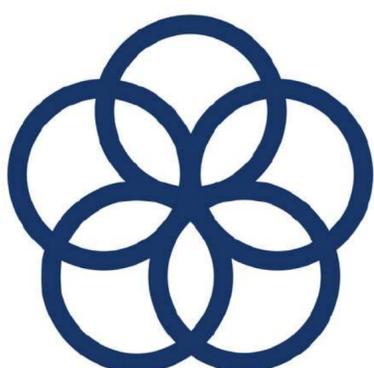
The adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) marks a turning point in the global community's approach to development. The SDGs embrace economic, social and environmental aspects of development and highlight the importance of the linkages between them. As a major user of natural resources such as feed, land and water, the livestock sector must, in order to develop sustainably, make itself environmentally sound, socially responsible and economically viable.



A holistic approach is needed to ensure that the livestock sector develops sustainably and contributes effectively to eradicating hunger, malnutrition and rural poverty. Mobilizing the technical, human and financial resources to that end will require North-South, South-South and Triangular Cooperation (TC) to provide improved access to science, technology and innovation. Goal 17 recognizes the private sector as a critical stakeholder and PPPs as key instruments in promoting economic development and improved livelihoods.

Partnerships with private sector entities need to address responsible investments, sustainable trade and innovative and inclusive business models. Local needs and transparency must be considered in selecting private partners when the allocation of land and/or the granting of land-use rights/concessions, or the use of natural resources and other assets, are at issue. When introducing new knowledge and technological innovations as well as when addressing policy coherence, the contribution of the private sector should include a transparent mechanism for sharing information and risks, and jointly responding to local challenges.

17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



Conclusion :

Goal 17 focuses on revitalizing partnerships and bringing together governments, the private sector and civil society to achieve universally sustainable development. At global and regional levels, the livestock sector features several multi-stakeholder partnerships that:

- a) Serve to maintain sustainable growth to meet rising global demand for Animal Source Food and
- b) Simultaneously address key environmental, social and economic challenges.

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Milk Procurement Functionaries - Corporate Skill Development Program



Program Coverage

- ▲ Survey of Area & Village
- ▲ Organization of Milk Routes
- ▲ Organization of Milk Procurement Network
- ▲ Organization of Farmers Producer Institution
- ▲ Milk Collection / Testing & Record Keeping at Village Level
- ▲ Transportation & Logistics Management in Milk Procurement
- ▲ Milk Reception, Chilling & Quality Assessment at BMC / MCC
- ▲ BMC Operations
- ▲ Hiring & Placement of BMC/ MCC's
- ▲ Material Balancing at chilling centers
- ▲ Milk Pricing & Pricing system
- ▲ Communication, Media Development & Meeting Procedures
- ▲ Milk Productivity Enhancement Measures Viz. Animal Feeding, Breeding, Health Control
- ▲ Input Delivery
- ▲ Hygiene & Clean Milk Production
- ▲ Green-house gas Emission in Milk Production

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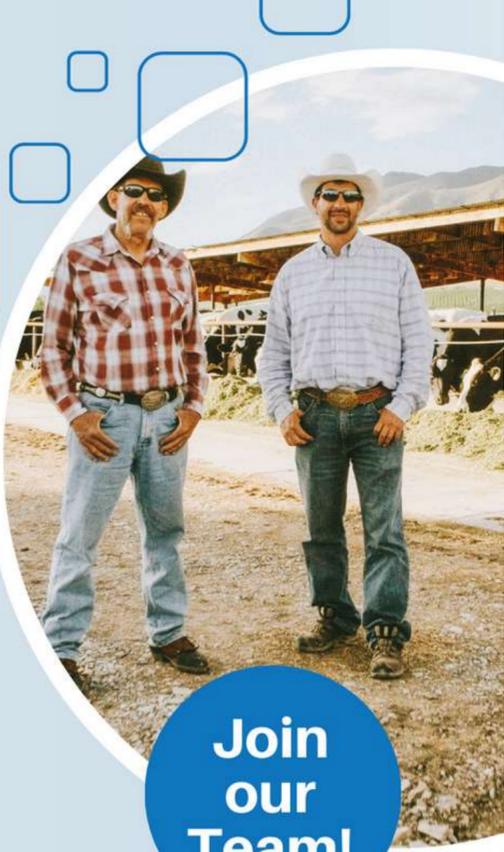
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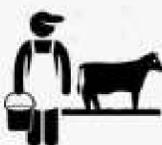
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