

Punjab 3rd in pedigree selection scheme



Punjab has secured the third position in the Pedigree Selection Scheme of the Nili Ravi Breed across the country, said Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development and Fisheries Minister Gurmeet Singh Khuddian while speaking that the state had undertaken the project to promote and preserve the indigenous Nili Ravi breed.

“It is a matter of pride as Punjab has secured the third position in the Nili Ravi Pedigree Selection Scheme of buffalo,” said Khuddian, adding that the state had also clinched the fifth position in the progeny testing scheme in the murreh breed of buffalo and the sixth position in the Progeny Testing Scheme of sahiwal cows. He said Punjab had already accomplished the target in murreh progeny testing scheme, which was supposed to be completed in 2024.

Three breeds on the basis of the capacity of milk production of their mothers, he added. The main motive of these projects is procurement of high-genetic merit bulls of these

Nandi' Portal Launched To Allow Online Approval Of New Veterinary Drugs And Vaccines



The Indian government has introduced the Nandi portal, a digital platform aimed at expediting the approval process for new veterinary drugs and vaccines. Nandi, which stands for NOC Approval for New Drug and Inoculation System, enables the seamless granting of no-objection certificates (NOCs) through an efficient and convenient online system. The launch of the portal took place on Monday, June 26, 2023, with Minister of State for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry, and Dairying, Parshottam Rupala, officiating the event.

Minister Rupala emphasized that the launch of Nandi aims to address the challenges faced during the manual approval process. The digital portal will significantly reduce delays and obstacles, leading to more efficient and prompt approvals for veterinary drugs and vaccines. Moreover, with India currently conducting a livestock vaccination drive, the demand for veterinary products is anticipated to increase, making Nandi's implementation all the more crucial.

The introduction of the Nandi portal marks a significant milestone in digitizing and modernizing the approval process for veterinary drugs and vaccines in India.

Panel Established to Determine Minimum Procurement Price of Milk in Maharashtra



The Maharashtra government has set up a panel of 11 members headed by the commissioner, dairy development department, to fix the procurement prices of milk every three months. The panel will have representatives from private and cooperative dairies. These members will have to cap the minimum procurement rates for both cow and buffalo milk.

The rates will be mandatory for both cooperative and private dairies, a notification issued by the government said. Dairy farmers had recently staged an agitation against the drop in procurement prices of milk by nearly RSS to Rs6 per litre. They said that the state government's decision to cap the minimum procurement prices is a step towards meeting their long pending demand for fair and remunerative prices.

The formation of the panel to determine minimum procurement prices is a crucial step towards addressing the concerns of dairy farmers in Maharashtra. By establishing mandatory rates, the government aims to ensure that farmers receive fair compensation for their milk.

Dairy Sector Expected to Grow at Over 6% in 2023-24, Says Government



The Indian dairy sector is projected to witness a growth rate of more than 6% in the fiscal year 2023-24, according to Union Animal Husbandry and Dairying Minister, Parshottam Rupala. During a recent press conference, Minister Rupala highlighted that milk production has been growing at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 6.1% over the past eight years and is expected to continue its upward trajectory.

Addressing concerns about supply constraints, Minister Rupala assured reporters that there is an abundant supply of milk in the country, along with ample quantities of milk powder. This statement follows recent concerns over a supply crunch, which led to a significant increase in retail milk prices during the 2022-23 period.

The dairy sector plays a vital role in India's economy, contributing 5% to the national GDP and providing direct employment to more than 8 crore farmers. Additionally, India holds the distinction of being the top global producer, accounting for 23% of total milk production worldwide.

However, the cost of production in the dairy industry has been steadily rising due to various factors. One significant factor is the increasing cost of feed, which constitutes a significant portion of dairy farmers' expenses. The shortage of fodder and rising prices of raw materials such as corn and soybeans have led to expensive cattle feed. Furthermore, inadequate feeding practices during the pandemic, exacerbated by unseasonal rain and heat waves, have resulted in lower dairy yields.

Minister Rupala highlighted that India has surpassed the global average in per capita milk availability, with 444 grams per day in the 2021-22 period compared to the world average of 394 grams.

Uttar Pradesh to Establish Milk Committees in Every Block, Boosting Dairy Farmers' Income

In a significant move to uplift dairy farmers and enhance milk production, the Minister for Animal Husbandry and Dairy Development, Dharmpal Singh, has announced the establishment of milk committees in every block across Uttar Pradesh (U.P.). The decision was made during a review of the Nand Baba Milk Mission, aimed at promoting the dairy industry and improving farmers' livelihoods.



Over the next three months, the state's Dairy Development Department will initiate the formation of new milk committees, ensuring that every development block has its dedicated committee. This initiative aims to provide dairy farmers with fair opportunities to sell their milk within their own villages at reasonable prices, eliminating middlemen and ensuring better returns for their produce.

Minister Dharmpal Singh has also directed officials to devise a scheme for setting up dairy units comprising 25 high-quality indigenous cows. This initiative not only seeks to increase milk production but also aims to boost farmers' incomes and create self-employment opportunities. The inclusion of indigenous breeds is crucial for promoting sustainable and resilient dairy farming practices.

Highlighting the significance of the Nand Baba Milk Mission, the Minister emphasized the government's ambition to revitalize milk production and uplift the income levels of farmers throughout the state. As part of the mission, officials have been instructed to conduct a comprehensive survey to identify defunct milk committees and devise strategies for their revival.

Rajasthan Leads Agricultural Advancements, Chief Minister Asserts



Rajasthan Chief Minister, Ashok Gehlot, declared on Monday that the state is pioneering new dimensions in the field of agriculture. Emphasizing Rajasthan's achievements, Gehlot highlighted that the state ranks first in the production of millets, oilseeds, pulses, milk, and wool.

For the first time in Rajasthan, a separate agriculture budget has been presented, allocating increased funds of Rs 7,500 crore to the Farmers Welfare Fund. The state government is providing a total of Rs 42,000 crore for various schemes benefiting farmers.

Gehlot also highlighted the provision of free monthly electricity supply of 2,000 units to farmers. Furthermore, the establishment of agricultural produce markets throughout the state has ensured that farmers receive fair prices for their produce, facilitating smoother business transactions for traders.

Rajasthan stands out as the only state in the country offering Rs 40,000 in assistance to cattle rearers in the event of a cow's death due to lumpy disease. Recently, an amount of Rs 175 crore has been disbursed to the bank accounts of 42,000 cattle rearers as part of this initiative.

The state government has also taken significant steps to promote agricultural education in Rajasthan. Over the past four and a half years, 42 agriculture colleges have been established to enhance educational opportunities in the sector.

Farmer Turns Dairy Success into Rs 1 Crore Bungalow with Cow Milk Sales

A farmer from Solapur, Maharashtra, has achieved an incredible feat by building a bungalow worth Rs 1 crore through the earnings from selling cow milk. Prakash Imde's inspiring success story began with a single cow and has now transformed into a thriving dairy farm with over 150 cows. From a business relying on a single cow, Imde gradually expanded his dairy farm, which now boasts a herd of over 150 cows. The farm currently produces 1,000 liters of milk per day. Imde's entire family is actively involved in the business, contributing to milking, feeding, and taking care of the cows.



An interesting aspect of Imde's approach is that he has never sold a single calf from his cows. As a result, his herd has continued to grow over the years. Even after the demise of his first cow, Lakshmi, in 2006, he has carried forward its pedigree and maintained the farm with subsequent generations of cattle. To meet the cows' dietary requirements, the farm produces as much green fodder as possible, supplemented by external sources for the remaining feed.

Imde's entrepreneurial genius not only benefits his family but also provides employment opportunities for the local community. People from other states visit Sangola to witness Imde's thriving farm and gain insights into his successful enterprise. Imde personally conducts tours of the farm, sharing his knowledge and experiences.

After years of dedicated efforts, Prakash Imde's accomplishments have materialized in the form of a Rs 1 crore bungalow. A statue of a cow and a milk churn adorn the premises, serving as a constant reminder of the journey that led to the establishment of the remarkable building.

Who are we ?

“The Centre of Excellence for Dairy Skills in India (CEDSI)” an autonomous institution working under the aegis of the Agriculture Skill Council of India (ASCI) under the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, to help the empowerment and betterment of Livelihood of farmers, wage workers, and other stakeholders in the Dairy value chain.

CEDSI Membership will provide a unique platform for the industry leaders, policymakers, development practitioners, dairy scientists, researchers, students, and farmers to debate and discuss the issues of imminent importance to the dairy industry.

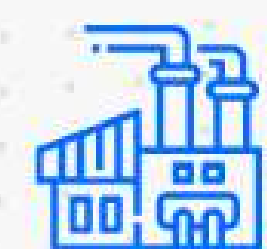


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- ✓ Platform to interact with other members in the sector
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- ✓ Special costs of training in Skill India Certified Programmes
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- ✓ Free registration on the job portal and regular updates on job vacancies in the sector
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Dairy Farmers



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Skill Training Programme for Farmers/ Students/ Entrepreneurs

- Dairy Farmer/ Entrepreneur
- Dairy Farm Supervisor
- Dairy Worker
- Animal Health Worker
- Artificial Insemination Technician
- Veterinary Field Assistant
- Veterinary Clinical Assistant
- Calf Rearing
- Farm Equipment Technician
- Dairy farm Economics and Management
- Industry Aligned Certification Programs (Unemployed Youth and Students)

FPO Oriented Training Programs

- FPO Member Orientation on Product Technology and Processes.
- FPO Market Linkage
- FPO Governance
- FPO Accounting

Flagship Skill Training Programme for Dairy Corporates and Cooperatives

- Chilling Plant Technician
- Bulk Milk Cooler Operator
- Village Level Milk Collection Centre Supervisor
- Milk Tester
- Green-house Gases Mitigation
- Milk Quality Assurance
- Milk Delivery Boy
- Milk Procurement & Input Supervisor
- Waste Management In Dairy Industry
- Feed And Fodder Management
- Clean Milk Production
- Decision Support System/ Data Analytics