

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FISHERIES ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 841  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2023

**PROTECTION OF STRAY CATTLE**

841. SHRIMATI GOMATI SAI

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating to work out any new plan for protection of a stray cattle (cow progeny) in Jaspur and Raigarh Lok Sabha Constituency of Chhattisgarh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the number of new gaushalas opened/likely to be opened in coming years in the country including Raigarh and Jaspur area of Chhattisgarh?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b) The protection of animals is a state subject. As per information received from Government of Chhattisgarh, the Chhattisgarh Government is already executing scheme namely "Narwa, Garuwa, Ghuruwa and Badi" under which Gothans are established at Gram Panchayat level where provision for protection of Cattle including Stray Cattle (cow progeny) is made. Apart from Gothan, State is also operating registered Goushalas where Stray Cattles can be kept. As has been reported by the State there are 1190 gothans established in Jaspur and Raigarh Lok Sabha constituency where Stray cattle are protected. In these Gothans, the provision of dry and green fodder (as per availability), drinking water, shed, veterinary aids etc. is made available. So, no further new plan is required for the protection of Stray Cattle in the state. The Government is not contemplating to work out any new plan for protection of Stray Cattle (cow progeny) in Jashpur & Raigarh Lok Sabha constituency of Chhattisgarh as this is a state and local subject.

(c) In the above said constituency, there is 09 Goushalas registered under Chhattisgarh Rajay Goseva Ayog. The subsidy for feed and fodder, shed and medicines is released to Goushalas as per their demand. These Goushalas are run by NGO's for which subsidy is provided by the State Government. New Goushalas can be opened in this constituency as and when application received by the Chhattisgarh Rajay Goseva Ayog. Till date no applications have been received / pending for approval by the Chhattisgarh Rajay Goseva Ayog in this financial year as reported by the state government.