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PDFA hosted a three-day Dairy Expo



The Progressive Dairy Farmers Association (PDFA) is set to launch the International Dairy & Agri Expo 2024 on Feb 3 in Jagraon, inaugurated by Union Minister Parshottam Rupala.

With a focus on attracting dairy farmers statewide, the three-day event includes breed competitions, milking contests, and seminars. PDFA President Daljit Singh announced the inauguration at 11 am on Saturday, with subsequent days featuring farmers awards, competitions, and prize distribution.

The expo serves as an annual hub for dairy and agricultural stakeholders, showcasing cutting-edge technology, products, and fostering networking opportunities. Attendees can explore the latest trends and business prospects in dairy and agriculture.

Milk co-op members to get Kisan credit cards



Union Minister of Cooperation, Amit Shah, revealed plans to implement micro ATMs for Bank Mitra cooperative societies and issue RuPay Kisan credit cards to members of milk cooperatives across all districts in Gujarat.

The announcement came in response to a query from MP Parimal Nathwani in Parliament. Following a successful pilot project in Panchmahal and Banaskantha districts, where 1,723 micro ATMs and 1,23,685 RuPay Kisan credit cards were distributed, these initiatives aim to enhance financial inclusion and ease of doing business for cooperative societies in the dairy and fisheries sectors.

The move aligns with efforts to support transparency and liquidity for cooperative members.

Run for Milk, Run for Health' Mini Marathon Promotes Dairy Awareness



The Department of Dairy Development is set to host a 3.5-km mini marathon titled 'Run for Milk, Run for Health' as part of a dairy farmers' meet in Kannur on Sunday. The marathon, commencing from Peerakkamthadam to Cheruthazham Farmers' Sangam Office, aims to raise awareness about the significance of incorporating milk and its products into daily diets.

Organized under the theme of promoting quality-assured dairy products, the event is part of a broader campaign including dairy farmers' meetings, awareness programs, and motivational classes. MLA M.

Vijin is scheduled to flag off the marathon, highlighting the symbiotic relationship between dairy consumption, dairy products, and human health.

Himachal Pradesh Inks MoU with NDDB for State-of-the-Art Automated Milk Processing Plant

In a significant move to boost the rural economy, Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) for the establishment of an automated milk processing plant in Dhagwar, Kangra. The plant, with an initial capacity of 1.5 Lakh Litres Per Day (LLPD), expandable to 3 LLPD, will be fully automatic.



Valued at ₹225 crore for the first phase, the project aims to produce a variety of dairy products, contributing to farmer welfare by directly purchasing milk. An additional ₹43 crore is allocated to strengthen the milk procurement network, supporting operations.

The initiative aligns with the government's commitment to increasing farmer income, evident in the recent ₹6 per litre hike in the milk procurement rate. The second phase will introduce milk powder, ice cream, and various cheese types, marking a substantial stride towards making Himachal Pradesh self-reliant.

With approximately 95% of the state's population residing in rural areas, the emphasis on strengthening the rural economy is deemed vital for realizing the vision of Himachal as the most progressive state.

Susthira: A Sustainable Lifeline for Dairy Farmers Amidst Soaring Cattle Feed Prices



As Kerala grapples with a shortage of fodder grass, dairy farmers in Kollam find solace in Susthira, a hybrid napier grass developed by Kerala Agricultural University. This climate-resilient grass, requiring minimal maintenance, emerges as an ideal alternative for farmers facing escalating cattle feed prices. Krishi Vigyan Kendra's successful on-farm trials have spurred cultivation, with approximately 50 farmers in the district adopting this sustainable option.

Dairy farmer S. Sujeesh attests to the crop's resilience, stating a remarkable reduction of up to 50% in cattle feed usage. Animal husbandry trials by WK Kollam reveal an average increase of 1.5 liters of milk per day, with fat percentages surpassing the norm in cross-bred jersey cows.

Professor S. Parvathy emphasizes the importance of sufficient green fodder in reducing concentrate quantity during summer, fostering maximum productivity. Susthira, outperforming known varieties like Col and C02 in farm trials, adds to its appeal.

CR. Neeraja, Assistant Professor (Agronomy), WK, highlights the economic benefits, indicating that a mere 2.5 cents of land can yield ample green fodder for two cows. With its dual advantage of reduced feeding costs and increased productivity, Susthira stands as a beacon of hope for Kerala's dairy farmers amidst challenging agricultural dynamics.

Government Gears Up for 21st Livestock Census Using Mobile Technology Across India

In a significant move towards comprehensive data collection in the animal husbandry sector, the Union Animal Husbandry and Dairying ministry announced preparations for the 21st Livestock Census. Scheduled between September and December 2024, this nationwide census will utilize mobile technology for efficient data transmission.



A sensitization meeting chaired by Animal Husbandry and Dairying Secretary Alka Upadhyaya brought together senior officers from states, union territories, and members of the technical committee. The census, covering all villages and urban wards, aims to enumerate various species of animals and poultry birds possessed by households, enterprises, and non-household entities.

The 21st Livestock Census, a vital statistical undertaking conducted every five years since 1919, focuses on breed-wise data, including age and sex. With the last census conducted in 2019, this massive door-to-door field operation plays a crucial role in policy formulation and implementing animal husbandry sector programs.

The utilization of mobile technology underscores the government's commitment to leveraging digital tools for efficient and accurate data collection, ultimately assessing the total livestock wealth of the nation. This census serves as the backbone for informed policy decisions and effective implementation of initiatives in the animal husbandry sector.

Government Grants Income Tax Exemptions to Boost Dairy Cooperatives



In a significant stride towards fortifying the dairy sector, the Central Government has unveiled a comprehensive set of measures, granting income tax exemptions and reductions to Cooperative Societies under the Income Tax Act. The announcement, made by Union Minister Shri Parshottam Rupala, emphasizes vital changes aimed at promoting the growth of Dairy Cooperative Societies.

Under the amendments, Primary Cooperative Societies supplying milk to the Federal Cooperative Society can now avail deductions for their entire milk-related profits under Section 80P of the Income Tax Act. Notably, the surcharge on cooperative societies with incomes between ₹1 crore and ₹10 crores has been reduced from 12% to 7%. The rate of Alternate Minimum Tax for these societies has also been aligned with that of companies, dropping from 18.5% to 15%.

Further, amendments to Section 269T relieve Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) and Agricultural and Rural Development Banks (PCARDB) from penal consequences for cash repayments below ₹2 lakh. Additionally, co-operative societies now benefit from an elevated threshold of ₹3 crore for TDS on cash withdrawals, compared to the ₹1 crore limit for other recipients under section 194N.

BSE E -DAIRY MARKET

Revolutionize Dairy Procurement: Unleash Savings with BSE’s Dairy Reverse Auction Platform

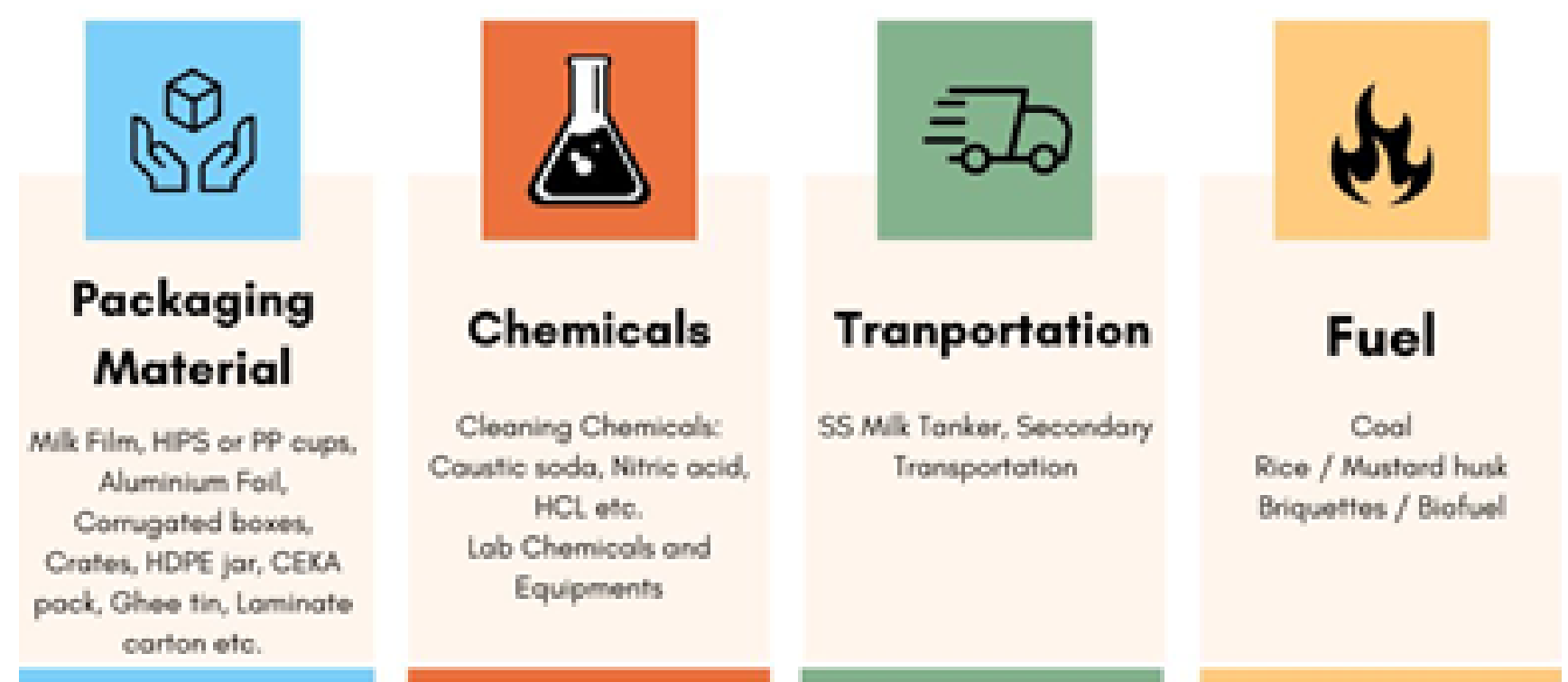
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BEAM has introduced a robust technology platform that ensures transparent and fair procurement of various items and services for various dairy companies. The e-Market platform supports online – real-time auctions for purchase by considering necessary eligibility criteria, product definitions and other necessary trade requirements.

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The **Centre of Excellence for Dairy Skills in India (CEDSI)** is working under “**Centre of Excellence for Agriculture Skills in India (CEASI)**” is an autonomous organization working under the aegis of “**Agriculture Skill Council of India (ASCI)**”, which is working under **Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE)** for skilling and capacity building of farmers, wage workers, self-employed professionals, extension workers etc. engaged in organized and unorganized segments of Agriculture & Allied sectors.

CEASI is an apex organization of Centres of Excellence in various sub-sectors of agriculture viz.

- Centre of Excellence for Dairy Skills in India(CEDSI)
- Centre of Excellence for Horticulture Skills in India(CEHSI)
- Centre of Excellence for Farm Mechanization Skills in India(CEFMI)

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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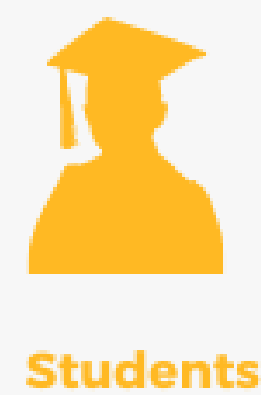


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- Dairy Farm Supervisor
- Dairy Worker
- Animal Health Worker
- Artificial Insemination Technician
- Veterinary Field Assistant
- Veterinary Clinical Assistant
- Calf Rearing
- Farm Equipment Technician
- Dairy farm Economics and Management
- Industry 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