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Madhya Pradesh Dairy Federation Partners with NDDDB for Quality Boost



The Madhya Pradesh State Cooperative Dairy Federation (MPCDF) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the National Dairy Development Board (NDDDB). This significant partnership is set to facilitate the exchange of technical expertise and support aimed at improving dairy quality and optimizing the operational capacities of milk plants across the state.

The MoU underscores a commitment to advancing quality improvement measures and increasing the efficiency of dairy operations. Additionally, the collaboration is anticipated to aid in the revival of the Gwalior and Jabalpur milk unions, which have faced challenges in recent years.

By integrating NDDDB's advanced technologies and strategies, MPCDF seeks to elevate the overall standards of milk production, ensuring better quality products for consumers and more robust dairy operations within the state.

Dudran's Timeless Dairy Tradition Preserved Through Ancient Techniques



Dudran in J&K's Baramulla district, dairy farming is a cherished tradition maintained through generations. Just 14 km from Boniyar, Dudran's 70 households practice dairy farming using methods passed down through the ages. Central to this tradition is the doud khot, a traditional cooling system made from stones and wood, harnessing natural springs to keep dairy products fresh without electricity.

This ancient technique also shields milk from wildlife. Dairy farmer Zahoor Ahmad Lone proudly speaks of Dudran's dedication to producing high-quality milk, cheese, butter, and curd using these time-honored methods. Fatima Bibi, 50, attributes the excellent quality of milk to the village's lush pastures, yielding 10-15 liters per household daily.

Summers are especially productive, with the traditional "gurus mandun" process used to churn butter from curdled milk. Abdul Razaq Dar, 54, underscores the enduring value of these ancestral practices.

Sumul Dairy Named 'Best Dairy Plant' by Indian Dairy Association



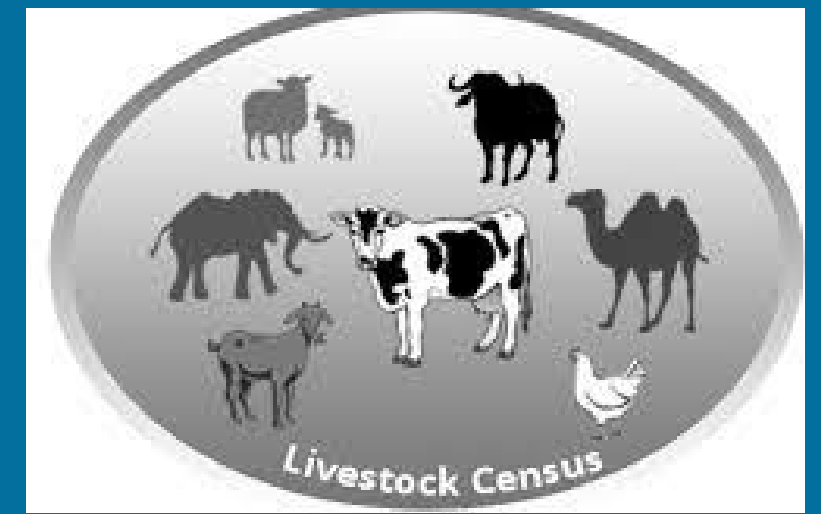
The Surat District Cooperative Milk Producers Union, popularly known as Sumul Dairy, has been honored as the 'Best Dairy Plant' by the Indian Dairy Association (IDA) for the West Zone. The award ceremony is set to take place on August 17, 2024, in Nagpur, with Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari as the chief guest.

Sumul Dairy Managing Director Arun H. Purohit proudly announced the accolade through a WhatsApp message to Indian Cooperative, celebrating their achievement as the first in the West Zone to receive this recognition. The award highlights Sumul Dairy's Navipardi Unit, which secured the 1st Prize for Best Performing Dairy Plant. Key criteria for the award included a milk plant capacity of 5 LLPD, a 27% growth in new product development, energy conservation, and overall capacity utilization.

Sumul Dairy continues to play a vital role in enhancing the livelihoods of dairy farmers by ensuring fair prices for their milk.

21st Livestock Census to Begin in September: Regional Training Held in Visakhapatnam

The Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Central Government, has announced the commencement of the 21st Livestock Census, set to take place between September and December 2024. A regional training programme for State and District Nodal Officers from Karnataka, Telangana, and Andhra Pradesh was held in Visakhapatnam on Wednesday to prepare for this significant undertaking.



The training aimed to familiarize over 150 enumerators from the three states with the newly introduced mobile and web applications designed for the census. These tools are expected to streamline data collection and enhance accuracy.

In Andhra Pradesh alone, approximately 6,500 enumerators will be deployed to cover 1.38 lakh households, ensuring comprehensive and detailed data collection across the state. The census is crucial for assessing livestock populations, improving animal husbandry practices, and formulating policies to support the sector.

The training sessions also emphasized the importance of accurate data entry and the effective use of technology to facilitate the enumeration process. This initiative reflects the government's commitment to advancing livestock management and ensuring up-to-date information for better decision-making.

Sikkim Launches 'A-HELP' Program to Boost Livestock Health and Rural Development



Shri Puran Kr. Gurung, Minister of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, launched the 'A-HELP' (Accredited Agent for Health and Extension of Livestock Production) program at Chintan Bhawan, Gangtok, yesterday. The event, attended by Smt. Kala Rai, Advisor of the Rural Development Department, aims to bridge the gap between livestock farmers and the department, enhancing livestock health and extension services.

In his address, Gurung emphasized that A-HELP will play a crucial role in improving livestock productivity and empowering women, contributing significantly to rural development. He highlighted the program's potential to address gaps in extension services and promote better livestock management practices.

Smt. Alka Upadhyaya, Secretary of the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD), supported the initiative through a video message, encouraging A-HELP workers to aid in the development of the livestock sector by providing targeted support to farmers.

Dr. Sharman Rai, Secretary of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, Sikkim, noted that A-HELP agents will focus on disease control, animal tagging, and livestock insurance. The program, already implemented in 12 States/UTs, leverages the SHG platform of NRLM for animal husbandry activities. Specialized A-HELP Kits were distributed to Pashu Sakhis, who will be trained and accredited under the program. The event saw participation from over 500 progressive farmers and Pashu Sakhis.

Puducherry Government Sets Ambitious Milk Procurement Target for 2024

The Puducherry government has announced a significant target for the current fiscal year, aiming to procure 2.34 crore litres of milk from Co-operative Milk Producer Societies. This initiative is part of the government's broader strategy to bolster the dairy sector and ensure a steady supply of high-quality milk to meet local demand.



In line with this objective, the Budget for 2024 includes a proposed incentive of 5% based on the value of the procured milk. This incentive is designed to encourage increased milk production and enhance the financial stability of cooperative societies involved in dairy farming.

The government's procurement plan is expected to support local dairy farmers by providing a reliable market for their produce, thereby promoting the growth of the dairy industry in Puducherry. By setting this procurement target, the government aims to not only improve the quality and availability of milk but also strengthen the cooperative dairy sector, benefiting both producers and consumers.

Punjab to Use NGT Fine for Eco-Management of Cattle Dung



The Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB) is spearheading an initiative to promote the eco-management of cattle dung by utilizing funds from a fine imposed by the National Green Tribunal (NGT). The NGT had levied a Rs 50 crore penalty on the Punjab government in 2018 for pollution caused to the Sutlej and Beas rivers. The PPCB plans to allocate Rs 63 lakh from this penalty towards enhancing the management of cattle dung through vermicomposting—a process where biodegradable waste is converted into organic fertilizers using earthworms.

To implement this initiative, the PPCB has issued an Expression of Interest (EOI) inviting applications from gaushalas and dairy farms across Punjab. The board will provide both technical and financial assistance to selected applicants. This move aims to address the environmental challenges posed by the improper disposal of cattle dung and urinal wastewater from dairy farms and gaushalas.

Dr. Adarsh Pal Vig, Chairman of the PPCB, emphasized that the initiative not only addresses environmental issues but also has the potential to foster entrepreneurship in the region. "We are committed to providing funding and technical support. If we receive positive feedback, additional funds may be allocated beyond the initial Rs 63 lakh," he noted.

The EOI underscores that while cattle dung presents disposal challenges, it can be transformed into valuable resources, including energy and fertilizers, with proper management techniques.

Who are we

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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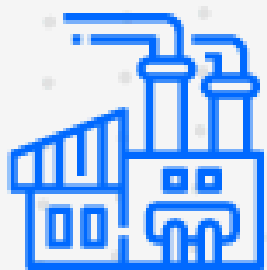


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- ✓ Special costs of training in Skill India Certified Programmes
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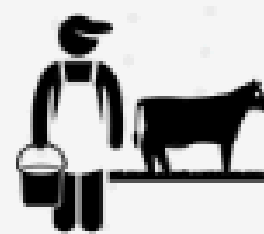
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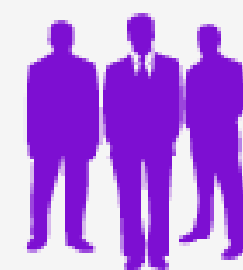
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- Artificial Insemination Technician
- Veterinary Field Assistant
- Veterinary Clinical Assistant
- Calf Rearing
- Farm Equipment Technician
- Dairy farm Economics and Management
- Industry Aligned Certification Programs (Unemployed Youth and Students)

FPO Oriented Training Programs

- FPO Member Orientation on Product Technology and Processes.
- FPO Market Linkage
- FPO Governance
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Flagship Skill Training Programme for Dairy Corporates and Cooperatives

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- Village Level Milk Collection Centre Supervisor
- Milk Tester
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- 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