

Q) Describe the contribution of animal husbandary in Indian economy and how empowering this sector will lead to agricultural sustainability?

Ans: Introduction:-

India is the fastest growing country and more than 70% of the population in India is earning from agricultural and animal husbandary sector.

Contribution of animal husbandary in Indian economy:-

- * As we all know that farmers are the backbone of our country.
- * The source of income for farmers depends on two important sectors. They are:
 1. Agriculture
 2. Animal Husbandary.
- * As, Agriculture being seasonal in nature could provide employment only in particular season
- * On the other hand, Animal Husbandary provides employment across all seasons.
- * Animal Husbandary (i.e., raising of cattle, birds, etc.) provides milk and milk products, meat and meat products, and also constitutes a major supplier of food and food articles, raw materials and finished products.
- * Animal Husbandary also provides large self-employment opportunities.
- * As far as the economy of the country is considered, "Livestocks" plays an important role in Indian economy.
- * Livestock sector includes animal husbandary, dairy and fisheries.
- * Livestock sector contributes 4.11% to the GDP and 25.6% to total Agriculture GDP.
- * Above figures shows that this sector leads to the

empowerment of the agricultural sustainability.

Conclusion:-

The contribution of agriculture and animal husbandary in national GDP is equal. Boosting the sector will bring social, economic and nutritional benefits. Therefore, this sector plays a vital role in national economy and in socio-economic development of the country.