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## Chief Minister's Big Announcement for Dairy Development | Uttarakhand | 15 Jun 2023

### Why in News?

- On June 14, 2023, Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami, in a review meeting of the schemes of the Department of Sugarcane Development, Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development and Fisheries at the Dehradun Secretariat, gave instructions to set up 600 multi-purpose milk cooperatives for dairy development in the state.

### Key Points:

- In the meeting, the Chief Minister said that the number of merino sheep, which give high quality wool, will be increased in the state, for which an MoU will be signed with an Australian breeder soon.
- In view of the shortage of fodder in the state, the Chief Minister gave instructions for formation of 20 fodder FPOs, establishment of 50 milk producer service centers in clusters of milk societies, and the establishment of 16 Badri Cow Growth Centers.
- He has done automation of the works of milk committee and milk union, to solve the problem of fodder shortage by planting 10 lakh fodder plants on community land in hilly areas, to bring benefits to all milk societies and all milk unions of Uttarakhand, instructions were given to work by setting targets.
- The Sugarcane Development Department was instructed to modernize Bajpur and Kichha sugar mills, change sugarcane seed, work on sugarcane survey through GPS & complete the target of promoting organic sugarcane production in the state at the earliest.
- He directed for expansion of 468 hectares of new water areas for fisheries, construction of 863 new trout raceways, 33000 Tonnes of fish production and timely completion of the target of 80 lakh annual trout fish seed production.

