

## **Dairy Processing and Infrastructure Development Fund (DIDF)**

Consequent to the Budget Announcement-2017, this Department has launched a new scheme titled, Dairy Processing and Infrastructure Development Fund (DIDF) in December 2017, at a total outlay of Rs.10881 Crore. A corpus fund of Rs.8004 Crore has been set up for creation of milk processing infrastructure during the period from 2017-18 to 2019-20. NABARD will provide loan to National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) and National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) at subsidized rate of 6% per annum. NDDB/NCDC will further provide loan to End Borrowers @ 6.5% i.e State Dairy Federations, Districts Milk Unions, Multi State Co-operatives Societies, Milk Producers Companies for creation of dairy infrastructure. The End Borrowers will repay the loan in ten years including moratorium period of two years . The scheme envisages following benefits;

- i. 95 lakh milk producers through coverage of 50000 villages
- ii. Establishment of 28,000 Bulk Milk Cooling units having milk chilling capacity of 140 lakh litre per day along with electronic milk adulteration testing equipment.
- iii. Modernization, Expansion and Creation of milk Processing capacity of 126 lakh liters per day.
- iv. Creation of value addition infrastructure capacity of 59.78 lakh liters per day
- v. Creation of additional Milk Drying capacity of 210 Metric Ton Per Day

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