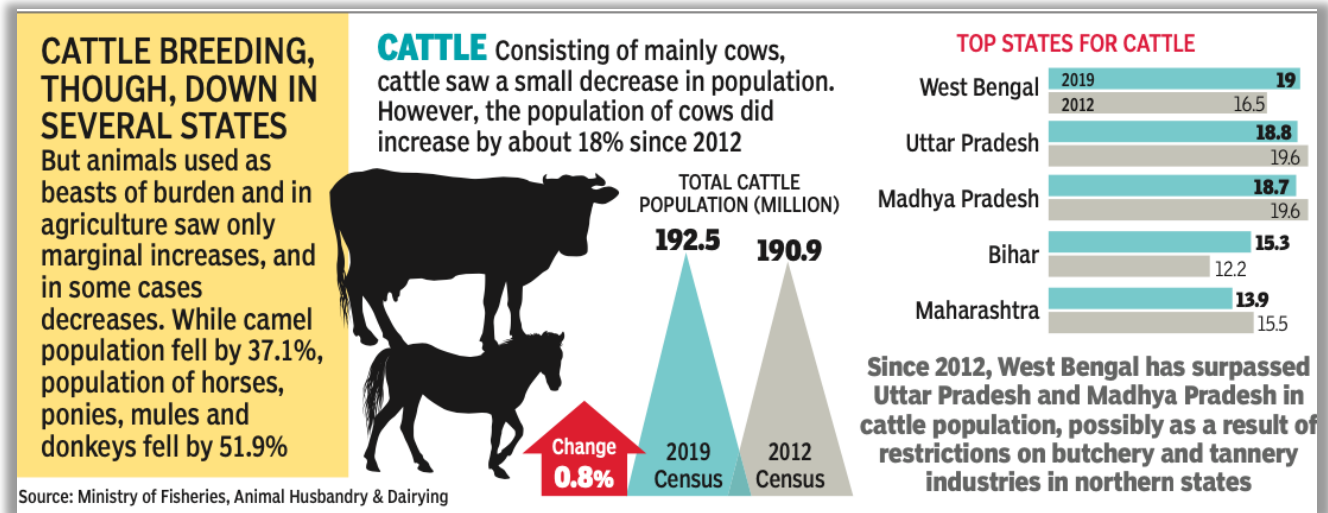


## 20<sup>TH</sup> LIVESTOCK CENSUS AND SCHEMES FOR LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT



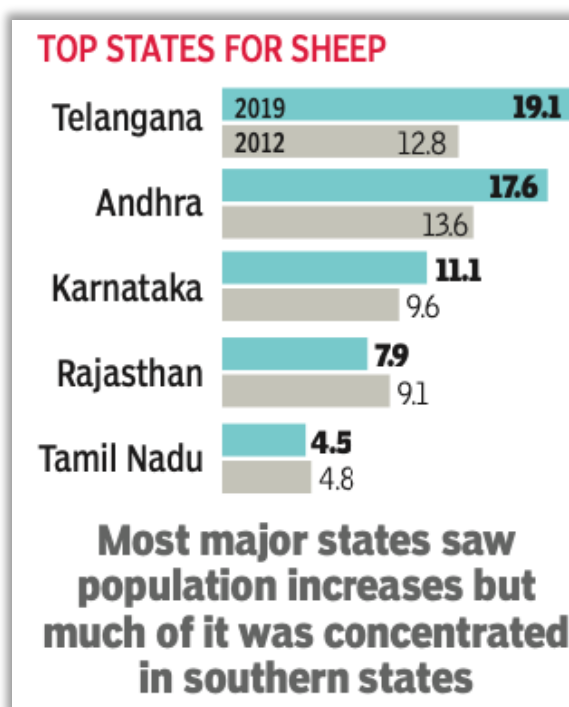
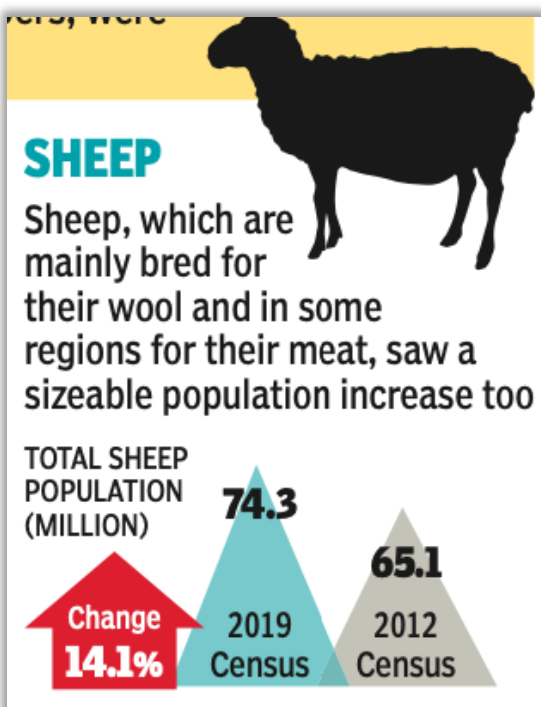
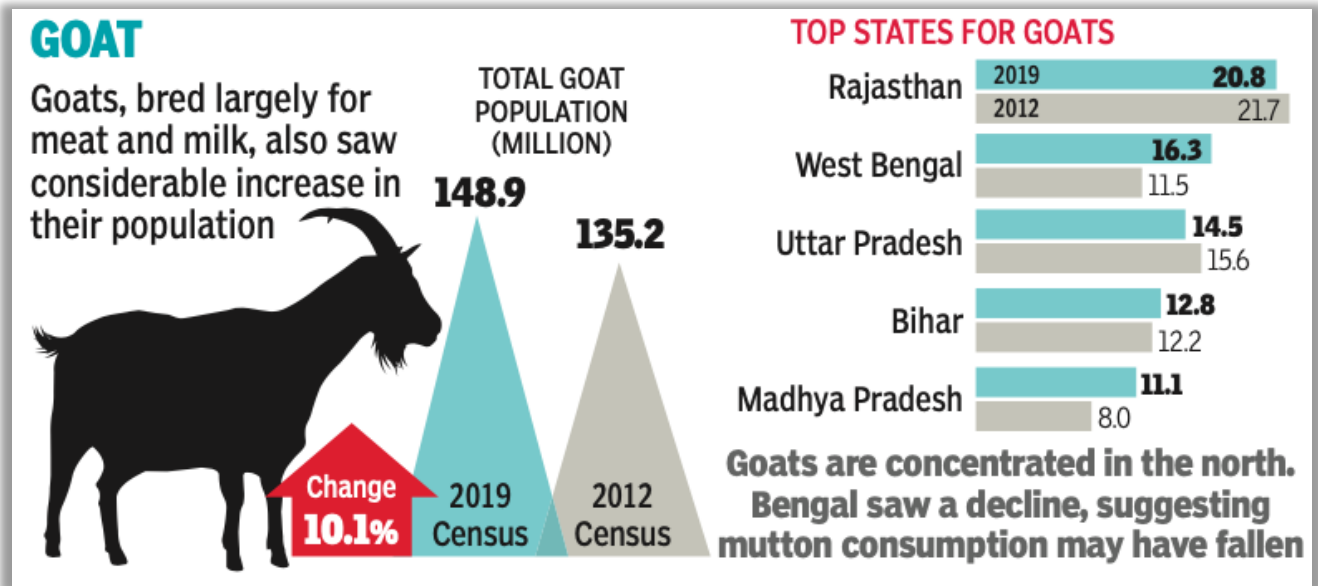
Overall livestock population was 535.78 million in 2019 up from 512.06 million in 2012 showing an overall growth of 4.6%.



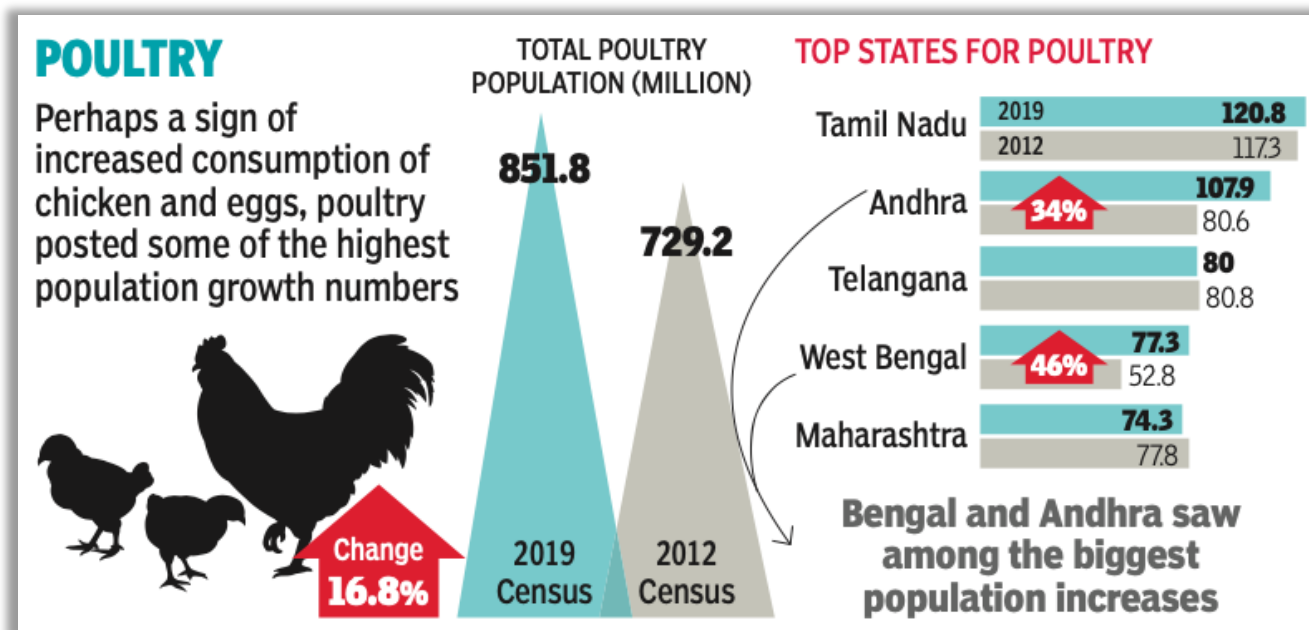
Source: Times of India

- Total Cattle population has risen only marginally.
- Cattle population in 2019 stands at **192.49 million**, in 2012 it was 190.9 million.
- **Cattle** population has **grown marginally by 0.83%**, and the buffalo population by 1.06%.
- There are 4.85 crore desi milch cows in the country.
- Less than 1% higher than the population in the last census in 2012.
- Whereas total (Milk producing and not milk producing) population has dropped 6% to 14.2 crore animals.
- **Milch population of exotic and crossbred cattle including varieties such as Jersey or Holsteins saw a whopping growth of 32% over 2012 figure.**
- Exotic breeds have grown from 1.9 Crore to 2.5 Crore.
- Whereas total **exotic breeds population has grown by 27% to 5 Crore animals.**

- To promote indigenous desi breeds, Rashtriya Gokul Mission was launched in 2014.
- The buffalo population increased to 10.98 crore from 10.8 crore in 2012.
- This was mainly due to increase in sheep (14.13%) and goat(10.14%) population.



- Population of Mithun has seen a growth of 26.66%.
- Also there was sharp increase in poultry population in 2019 estimated at 851.18 million up 17% from 2012.
- Share of backyard poultry is 46% higher, while poultry farms has risen by 4.5% only.



- West Bengal has emerged as the state with the largest number of cattle in 2019, followed by Uttar Pradesh.

Schemes:

1. National Livestock Mission:

- The National Livestock Mission (NLM) has commenced from 2014-15.
- This Mission is formulated with the objective of sustainable development of livestock sector, focusing on improving availability of quality feed and fodder.

- c. Mission has 4-sub mission on Fodder and feed, Livestock Development, Pig development in North-East and Skill Development and Technology.

## 2. Rashtriya Gokul Mission:

- a. It was launched in 2014 to promote indigenous desi breeds.
- b. Rashtriya Gokul Mission is a focussed project under National Programme for Bovine Breeding and Dairy Development,
- c. The mission also envisages establishment of integrated cattle development centres “Gokul Grams” to develop indigenous breeds including up to 40% nondescript breeds.
- d. Establishment of Breeder’s Societies: Gopalan Sangh
- e. Award to Farmers (“Gopal Ratna” ) and
- f. Breeders“ Societies (“Kamdhenu” );

## 3. National Animal Disease Control Programme For FMD and Brucellosis:

- a. Launched in September 2019.
- b. The programme aims at vaccinating over 500 Million Livestock including cattle, buffalo, sheep, goats and pigs against the FMD.
- c. The Programme has two components – to control the diseases by 2025 and eradication by 2030.

## 4. Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF):

- a. In budget 2018, AHIDF was introduced with the corpus of Rs. 2450 Crore.
- b. It aims to support entrepreneurship in the field of Animal Husbandry and other infrastructure required for the same.

