

# Scientific Utilisation through Research Augmentation-Prime Products from Indigenous Cows (SUTRA PIC)

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**Context:** Over 100 scientists across the country signed an open appeal, urging the Union Ministry of Science and Technology to withdraw its programme on research on indigenous cows

- The programme on research on indigenous cows is called SUTRA PIC or Scientific Utilisation Through Research Augmentation-Prime Products from Indigenous Cows.
- Led by the Department of Science and Technology, it will be funded by several ministries.
- For the programme, the department has called for research and development **proposals in five areas:**
  1. The uniqueness of Indigenous Cows
  2. Prime-products from Indigenous Cows for Medicine and Health
  3. Prime-products from Indigenous Cows for Agricultural Applications
  4. Prime-products from Indigenous Cows for Food and Nutrition
  5. Prime-products from indigenous cows-based utility items
- It follows five **thematic areas:**
  1. Scientific research on uniqueness of Indigenous Cows.
  2. Scientific research on Prime-products from indigenous cows for medicine and health.
  3. Scientific research on Prime-products from

indigenous cows for agricultural applications.

4. Scientific research on Prime-products from indigenous cows for food and nutrition.
5. Scientific research on Prime-products from indigenous cows-based utility items.