Integrated watershed management projects were taken up in Sukhomajri, Nada and Bunga villages of Haryana and in Una district of Himachal Pradesh to rehabilitate the denuded areas on sustained basis and ameliorate the socio-economic status of the people residing there. Impact of these programmes on dairy development has been discussed in the paper. It is indicated that there was 400 per cent increase in fodder from agriculture crops in Sukhomajri. Similar increase in village Bunga was to the tune of 378 per cent and 428 per cent, respectively. Una watershed registered 81 per cent increase in fodder from agriculture crops. Availability of fodder led to consequential increase in number of good breed buffaloes.
and so in milk yield. There was an increase of 100, 46, 91 and 77 per cent in milk yield in villages Sukhомajri, Nada, Bunga and Una, respectively as a result of taking up watershed management programmes. Benefit:cost ratios worked out to 2.31 for Sukhомajri, 2.12 for Nada, 2.42 for Bunga and 1.28 in case of Una.