

Govt sets up panel for research on cow benefits

NEW DELHI: The government has set up a 19-member panel, including three members linked to the RSS and the VHP, to carry out what it says will be scientifically validated research on cow derivatives, including urine, and their benefits, according to an inter-departmental circular and members of the panel. Headed by science and technology minister Harsh Vardhan, the committee will select projects that can help scientifically validate the benefits of panchgavya — the concoction of cow dung, cow urine, milk, curd and ghee, says the circular. **PTI**