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Important policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month of May, 2022.

1. Cattle & Dairy Development:

i. Joint Declaration of intent was signed between Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India and Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Fisheries, Kingdom of Denmark for cooperation in the field of Animal Husbandry & Dairying on 2nd May 2022 in Copenhagen, Denmark. Establishment of Centre of Excellence in dairying is part of the Joint Declaration of Intent.

2. Livestock Health:

- Department communicated Advisories to States for taking preparatory action for Heat Wave season 2022 in respect to Animal Husbandry sector.
- ii. Department conducted a meeting on 2nd May, 2022 with CDAC (C-DAC, a scientific society, under the Department of Information Technology, Government of India) regarding development of an online portal for DAHD for facilitation of the process of NOC for veterinary drugs/vaccine/biologicals.
- iii. Department provided comments on the Joint Declaration of the 12th Meeting of BRICS Ministers of Agriculture on Food Security Cooperation of the BRICS countries which include cooperation on control of transboundary animal disease and to promote inter sectoral collaboration & support.
- iv. Department provided comments on the text of the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework which include cooperation on control of transboundary animal diseases through effective communication, exposure of field experts in latest biosecurity and biosafety strategies with focus to One health.
- v. Department provided comments on additional questions of EU in respect to export of poultry products from India to EU for trade facilitation.
- vi. Department officers participated in PVS Pathway Orientation Training for India organized by OIE during 10th May to 12th May, 2022.

- vii. Department organized briefing workshop of the project on Animal Health System Support for Improved One Health (AHSSOH) held on 13th May, 2022
- viii. Department communicated comments on the draft note for the Cabinet-India-Mauritius Comprehensive Economic Cooperation and Partnership Agreement (CECPA)- inclusion of GEC and an Automatic Trigger Safeguard Mechanism (ATSM) which include procedure related to trade in livestock and livestock products.
- ix. Department conducted subcommittee meeting on 17th May 2022 to assess and provide recommendations/ policy inputs on Veterinary Vaccines/ Biological/ Drugs.
- x. Department conducted meeting of the sub-committee to develop the guidelines for field trial for veterinary drugs and vaccines on 19.05.2022
- xi. Department nominated officer for online virtual workshop (China) in respect to "Promoting best practices to tackle antimicrobial resistance (AMR) in Asia from a One Health perspective: Research and Innovation", funded by the European Union, held during 24-25 May 2022.
- xii. Department submitted articles related to animal health which include advisory and guidelines on Risk pathways and risk reduction of SARS-CoV-2 in farm animals and Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome (PRRS) for publishing in Animal Health Year Book to be launched by Indian Chamber of Food and Agriculture.
- xiii. During the month of May, 2022 around 0.20 crore animals were ear-tagged and around 1.32 crore animals were vaccinated against FMD. The vaccination against Brucella has also been commenced and so far 18.21 lakh animals have been vaccinated.

3. National Livestock Mission (NLM):

4th Project Approval Committee (PAC) meeting under National Livestock Mission was held on 30th May, 2022 by virtual mode under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary(NLM) for the consideration of cases related to entrepreneurship as well as Feed and Fodder production proposals received from States/Central Agencies.

4. International Cooperation (IC):

(i) An Indian Delegation led by Hon'ble Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying (FAHD) undertook a visit to Brazil from 16th to 20th May, 2022. The tour was aimed at taking advantages of technology developed by Brazil for enhancing milk production and productivity of breeds of Indian Origin and thereby making milk production more remunerative to Indian farmers.

During the visit, Hon'ble FAHD Minister held bilateral meetings with his Brazilian counterparts and the Indian Delegation undertook field visits to

Brazilian institutions like Zebuembryo (embryos central and gyr herd), Alta Genetis (semen and embryos central), Embrapa Dairy Cattle in Juiz de Fora etc.

- ii. A meeting between Joint Secretary (IC/Trade) and Argentine Delegation led by Mr. Mariano Beheran, Agriculture Attaché, Embassy of the Argentine Republic in India was held on 02.05.2022 to discuss bilateral cooperation between both the countries. Market Access issues for export of Milk and Milk Products, Bovine Serum, Greasy Wool etc from Argentina to India were inter-alia discussed during the meeting.
- iii. A meeting between JS(GNS) and Mr. Angelo de Queiroz Mauricio, Agricultural Attachee, Embassy of Brazil in India was held on 12-05-2022 in Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi to discuss and finalize the itenary/tour programme for Hon'ble FAHD Minister in connection with his visit to Brazil during 16th 20th May, 2022. Bilateral cooperation/Trade issues between the two sides were also discussed during the meeting.

Budget:

For the year 2022-23, up to May, 2022, against the Budget Estimate (RE) of Rs. 4288.84 Crore, the expenditure was Rs. 144.74 Crore. During the month of May, 2022, Expenditure for the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying was Rs. 66.47 Crore.

5. Social Media Activities:

During the month, tweeter page of the Department was hit by 68,624 followers. Under Social Media activities, 162 creative posts were made, 196 tweets & 1310 re-tweets were done, 3 Video & GIF were created. Facebook of the Department had 1,28,362 followers. Koo account of the Department has 45,200 followers. LinkedIn has 747 followers and Instagram has 574 followers by the end of May, 2022.
