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Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying

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

1. Cattle & Dairy Development:

- i. A farmers' Awareness Programme on Project Gir, Varanasi was organized at Varanasi Milk Union on 12th April, 2022 which was attended by Secretary, AHD, Chairperson, NDDB, State Government officials and 1000 farmers. Under the project 450 Gir cows have been inducted for enhancing productivity and increase milk production in a sustainable manner through advance technologies like IVF and Sex Sorted Semen. Every year 1000 pregnancies would also be established under this project using IVF technology. In addition, 40,000 pregnancies would also be established annually using sex sorted semen. Project expected to directly benefit 50,000 farmers through addition of 1 lakh high yielding cows after three years of the implementation of the project.
- ii. Secretary, AHD chaired the 1st Project Sanctioning Committee (PSC) meeting of Dairying through Cooperatives (DTC) Component B of NPDD scheme on 21.04.2022 to consider the Sub Project plan (SPP) project of Ayodhya, Gonda & Lucknow Milk Unions, Uttar Pradesh.
- ii. Secretary, AHD chaired a Milk Situation Review Meeting in Kevadia, Gujarat on 19.04.2022 to review the milk situation in the Country.
- iii. For finalization of National Dairy Plan Phase-II (NDP-II) scheme, a meeting with stakeholder in Jharkhand was held on 28.04.2022.

2. Livestock Health:

- i. Department nominated Officers to participate in the 'National Conclave on Sustainable Food Systems' at Anil Agrawal Environment Training Institute, (AAETI), Neemli, Rajasthan from April 19-21, 2022. The intent is to have an open discussion-among practitioners, researchers and advocates of sustainable food systems at the local, state and country level - towards sustainable food systems for better nutrition, livelihood, environment and climate.
- ii. Department launched the Pilot Project on One health in Uttarakhand involving Animal health, Human health and Wildlife on 06.04.2022.

- iii. On reporting of African Swine Flu (ASF) in the States of Sikkim and Bihar, Department issued advisory and National Action Plan with the advice to strictly implement the measures for immediate control and containment of ASF in pigs.
- iv. On reporting of re-incidence of Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome (PRRS) in the States of Sikkim, the Department has communicated the advisory to the State with advice to adopt preventive and zoo sanitary measures, in order to prevent further spread of the disease.
- v. Department nominated an officer as a member of the steering committee for the preparation of India's Adaptation Communication for submission to UNFCCC before COP 27 by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
- vi. Department submitted comments on Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) for consideration of the World Bank and AFD assisted Fisheries Sector COVID-19 Response and Recovery project with focus on AMR mitigation measures and awareness.
- vii. Department nominated a representative for IMCT to Nagaland visited during 20.4.2022 to 24.4.2022 for assessment of situation in the wake of drought during Kharif and Rabi 2021.
- viii. Department nominated officers of the Department to States of Uttarakhand, Karnataka and from One Health Support Unit, OHSU (DAHD) for training organized by FAO on AMU data collection at Hyderabad during 25.04.2022 and 26.04.2022.
- ix. On confirmation of incidence of Glanders in the State of Uttar Pradesh, the Department communicated the State to adopt zoo sanitary measures, monitor/restrict the equine movements to and from the infected area to prevent further spread of the disease.
- x. Department nominated officers for OIE Virtual Workshop for Veterinary Education Establishment (VEEs) and Veterinary Statutory Bodies (VSBs) in South Asia and Iran on 19 and 20 April, 2022.
- xi. Department nominated officers for 1st meeting of the Codex Coordination Group (CCG1): Chemicals (Sub-group on Contaminants in Food) for 15th session of the Codex Committee on Contaminants in Food (CCCF15) held virtually on 28.4.2022.
- xii. During the month of April 2022, around 0.22 crore animals were ear-tagged and around 0.9 crore animals were vaccinated against FMD. The vaccination against

Brucella has also been commenced and so far 11.28 lakh animals have been vaccinated.

3. Credit, Extension and Publicity(CEP):

As part of Aazadi Ka Amrit Mahostav and Kisan Bhagidhari Prathmiktha Hamari Abhiyan, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying organized awareness programmes from 25thApril to 28thApril, 2022 on Entrepreneurship schemes and other beneficiary oriented flagship programmes of the Department through Common Service Centers (CSC) network by holding 8000 village level camps across the country. Each day around one lakh farmers joined through Common Service Centers across the country. Attendees were given complete information about these schemes, as well as how to apply on the scheme portal through the CSC itself etc. The program was graced by Shri Parshottam Rupala, Hon'ble Cabinet Minister for Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Dr. Sanjeev Balyan and Shri. L. Murugan, Ministers of State, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying.

Hon'ble Minister for Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying addressed the farmers connected through camps and informed that the National Livestock Mission and Rashtriya Gokul Mission schemes now have a component of breeder farm entrepreneurs and fodder entrepreneurs and these schemes will bring sharp focus on entrepreneurship development and breed improvement in rural poultry, sheep, goat and piggery including feed and fodder development.

4. International Cooperation (IC):

- i. A meeting between Joint Secretary (Trade/IC) and Colombian Delegation led by H.E. Mariana Pacheco Montes, Ambassador of Colombia to India was held on 5.4.2022 to discuss bilateral cooperation including market access of animal origin products between both the countries. During the meeting, the export potential of Indian animal origin products to different countries of the world was highlighted and Colombian side was requested to share their sanitary requirements for market access of Indian frozen buffalo meat, Indian dairy products and Indian Poultry Products to Colombia.
- ii. A meeting between Joint Secretary (Trade/IC) and Australian delegation led by Mr Kiran Karamil, Counsellor Agriculture, Australian High Commission was held on 27.04.2022 in Krishi Bhawan to discuss bilateral cooperation between both the countries. Issues of Market Access of Indian dairy products and India buffalo meat were inter-alia discussed during the meeting.

5. Trade Section:

During the month, Russia has approved the mutually agreed Veterinary Certificate for heat treated dairy products derived from cattle, sheep and goats, to be exported from India to the Eurasian Economic Union.

6. Plan Coordination:

The Department organised Summer Meet for animal husbandry, dairying and fisheries sector on 19.04.2022 which was chaired by Hon'ble Cabinet Minister (FAHD) with the presence of Hon'ble MoSs of M/o FAHD. The objective of the meeting is to draw out expectations of States/UTs, to create a convergence framework for effective programme implementation at the ground, to review progress of schemes and to discuss about outcomes, mid-course corrections if any & way forward. The meeting was attended by Hon'ble State AHD Ministers along with Secretaries & Directors of the AHD Departments of all States/UTs.

7. Budget:

For the year 2022-23, up to April, 2022, against the Budget Estimate (RE) of Rs. 4288.84Crore, the expenditure was Rs. 78.27 Crore. During the month of April, 2022, Expenditure for the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying was Rs. 78.27 Crore.

8. Social Media Activities:

During the month, tweeter page of the Department was hit by 66,389 followers. Under Social Media activities, 159 creative posts were made, 190 tweets & 800 re-tweets were done, 4 Video & GIF were created. Facebook of the Department had 1,28,094 followers. Koo account of the Department has 44,000 followers. LinkedIn has 634 followers and Instagram has 522 followers by the end of March, 2022.
