

F.No.25-I(05)/2020-AHD/AR
Government of India
Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying
(AR Section)


Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 17th August, 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly Summary to the Cabinet for the month of June, 2020 in respect of the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying- reg.

The undersigned is directed to circulate herewith Monthly Summary of the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying for the month of June, 2020 containing principal activities undertaken, important decisions taken and progress of action taken on decisions of the Cabinet/Cabinet Committees for kind information.

Encl: as above.


(Sarbeswar Majhi)
Deputy Secretary (GC/PC)
Tel No: 011-23388534

To

All Members of the Council of Ministers

Copy to:

1. The Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister
2. The Secretary to the President, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. The Secretary to the Vice-President, 6, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi.
4. The Press Information Officer, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
5. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. The Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.

7. The Secretary, Department of Agriculture Research & Education, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
8. The Secretary, M/o Drinking Water & Sanitation, Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi.
9. The Secretary, Dept. of Financial Services, Jeevan Deep Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi.
10. The Secretary, M/o Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran, Bhawan, Jor Bhagh Road, New Delhi.
11. The Secretary, D/o Health & Family Welfare, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
12. The Secretary, D/o Expenditure, North Block, New Delhi.
13. The Secretary, D/o Economic Affairs, North Block, New Delhi.
14. The Secretary, D/o Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
15. The Secretary, M/o Statistics & Programme Implementation, Sardar Patel Bhawan, New Delhi.
16. The Secretary, M/o Panchayati Raj, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
17. The Secretary, D/o Information Technology, Electronics Niketan, C.G.O. Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
18. Adviser, Agriculture, Niti Aayog, NITI Bhawan, New Delhi.
19. Joint Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi

Copy for information to:

- 1) PS to Hon'ble, Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Minister.
- 2) PS to all Hon'ble MoS (DAHD)
- 3) PPS to AS&FA
- 4) PPS to AHC
- 5) PPS to all JSs, DAHD
- 6) Technical Director, NIC, DAHD with the request to upload the enclosed document in the Departmental website.

F.No.25-I(05)/2020-AHD/AR
Government of India
Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying

Important policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month of June, 2020.

1. Cattle & Dairy Development:

- i. This Department has launched a Special Drive to provide Kisan Credit Cards (KCC) to all dairy farmers of Dairy Cooperatives and Milk Producer Companies during 1st June- 31st July 2020. In this regard, a preliminary meeting through Video Conference (VC) was organized followed by VC meetings on 23.06.2020 & 29.06.2020 with the representatives from the Department of Financial Services, all State Secretaries of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, MDs of State Cooperative Milk Federations and all State Level Bankers Committee Conveners to review the progress of the KCC campaign.
- ii. A meeting with the representatives from FSSAI, BIS, NDDDB was held on 29.06.2020 through VC under the Chairmanship of Secretary, AHD to discuss harmonization of quality mark logo and participatory guarantee system for India (PGS) certification among dairy farmers for production of organic milk and milk products.
- iii. The Department vide DO letter dated 03.06.2020 requested FSSAI to take appropriate measures concerning dairy analogs and distinguishing them from dairy products in order to protect interest of Indian consumers and help them to make judicious and informed choices which will help protecting dairy farmers income.
- iv. The Department vide DO letter dated 04.06.2020 has requested CEO, NITI Aayog, Secretary, Power and all the Chief Secretaries in the States/UTs to direct the concerned State Agencies for evaluation and implementation of the suggestions regarding high power tariff being applicable for rural milk chilling and processing infrastructure in majority States while subsidizing power cost for agriculture.
- v. Project Sanctioning Committee of National Programme for Dairy Development scheme under the Chairmanship of Secretary, AHD has approved 12 projects in 6 States with total outlay of Rs 163.21 Crore comprising of Central share Rs 128.63 Crore and State/Milk Federation/Union Share as Rs 34.58 Crore. The project primarily envisages installation of 3849 Automatic Milk Collection Units/Data Processing and Milk Collection Unit, 1695 Electronic Milk Adulteration Testing Machine and 664 Bulk Milk Coolers with a capacity of 17.71 lakh litres at village level milk collection centres.
- vi. Under the interest subvention component of Supporting Dairy Cooperatives and

Farmer Producer Organizations (SDCFPO) scheme, Rs 61.00 Crore was approved as interest subvention during June, 2020 against a total working capital loan amount of Rs 4922.61 Crore for milk unions.

vii. The Project Sanctioning Committee of Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying in its meeting held on 15.06.2020 has taken following policy decisions:

(a) Nationwide Artificial Insemination Programme Phase-II is being implemented from 1st August 2020 to 31st May 2021 in 604 districts @ 500 villages per district covering 50,000 animals per district with an allocation of Rs 1090 crore. All districts of UTs are covered under the programme. The programme will cover 3.02 crore animals and 9.06 crore artificial inseminations will be performed resulting birth of 1.5 crore high yielding females. 1.5 crore cows will produce 18 Million Metric Tonnes of additional milk with an increase of average productivity from 1860 kg/animal /year to 3000 kg/animal/year. This will add an amount of Rs 67,554 to the rural economy with asset generations of worth Rs. 60,000 crore to farmer households.

(b) For effective artificial insemination coverage, there is a requirement of 2.02 lakh AI technicians as against 1.16 lakh artificial insemination technicians available at present in the country. Thus, in order to meet the requirement of AI technicians, a project for training of 91,000 MAITRIs (Multi Purpose AI technicians in Rural India) has been approved with an allocation of Rs 936.76 crore over a period of 5 years. The project will create direct employment opportunities for 91,000 educated rural youth. MAITRIs will deliver AI services at farmers' doorstep on self sustainable basis.

(c) In order to enhance productivity of indigenous breeds such as Gir & Red Sindhi and to induct genetic variability among Red Sindhi population in the country, the project for import of semen doses of high genetic merit bulls from Brazil has been approved. The project will enhance productivity of indigenous breeds such as Gir & Red Sindhi and increase availability of high genetic merit bulls for semen production.

viii. Under Nationwide Artificial Insemination Programme Phase-I, 75 lakh animals have been covered upto June 2020 and 88 lakh artificial inseminations have been performed. Data on artificial insemination has been uploaded online on Information Network on Animal Productivity and Health (INAPH) portal. All the animals covered under the programme are tagged using 12 digit animal UID.

2. Livestock Health:

i. For effective control and containment of African Swine Fever (ASF) in Arunachal Pradesh and Assam, the states were advised to take immediate bio-security & bio-safety measures like restriction of pig movement in and across all the NE states (including West Bengal), appropriate carcass disposal, etc. Accordingly, both the states

have been sending reports (Daily and Weekly) of pig mortality. The Department advised the state governments of Assam and Arunachal Pradesh to commence the culling operation of pigs in the infected zones. Further, the Department issued and circulated the National Action Plan 2020 on 24.06.2020 for control, containment and eradication of African Swine Fever (ASF) to all States/UTs for taking suitable actions as contained in the Action Plan so that African Swine Fever (ASF), is controlled, contained and eradicated from the country within a definite timeline. No further outbreaks of ASF have been reported from other states.

ii. Keeping in view the problems faced by the veterinary students during the prevailing COVID-19 situation, the Department issued advisory to all veterinary colleges, Veterinary / Agriculture Universities to work on constructive ways with effective use of technology so as to continue the educational process including conducting left over examinations. This also included the advisory in respect of internship programmes where the students can undertake internship programme anywhere in India near their residences as per MSVE (Minimum Standard of Veterinary Education) regulations.

iii. The Department also issued an advisory to Veterinary colleges, Veterinary / Agriculture Universities to extend the last date of admission in the BVSc & AH degree programme to 31st October, 2020 from the earlier cut-off date of 30th September, 2020 of the academic year. Also, in a relief to the students in the present lockdown period, the academic institutions were advised to treat the lockdown period as "deemed to be attended" in order to enable the students to have a realistic attendance percentage for eligibility in their college examinations.

iv. The Department has commenced the process of conducting the necessary elections to rejuvenate the Veterinary Council of India by notifying appointments of the election conducting officials. Also, the schedule of the forthcoming elections to VCI has been notified.

3. National Animal Disease Control programme:

National Steering Committee (NSC) of NADCP was convened under the Chairmanship of Secretary, AHD on 5th June, 2020 where important decisions like sanction to States/UTs for remuneration for FMD vaccination, awareness campaign, allowing use of FMD + Haemorrhagic Septicaemia (HS) combined vaccine on a pilot basis in Haryana under NADCP, appraisal of Global Tender document for procurement of Brucella vaccine, etc were taken up. Moreover, after assessment of the availability of ear tags and the lockdown situation, the month-wise, district-wise action plan for FMD vaccination was finalised in consultation with States/ UTs. NAFED is engaged as Programme Logistic Agency for procurement of FMD vaccine & Ear tags and their supply to States / UTs and is also required to ensure supplies of ear tags according to the action plan.

Under NADCP, during June, 2020, around 19.82 lakh animals were ear-tagged and around 198 lakh animals vaccinated.

4. National Livestock Mission:

- i. The Cabinet approved the scheme for establishment of Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF) in its meeting held on 24.06.2020. Department has held number of VC meetings with all stakeholders for finalizing the guidelines.
- ii. A video conference was held with DAHD and ICAR (Animal Sciences Division) on 25.6.2020 under the co-chairmanship of Secretary, AHD and Secretary, DARE on identified areas of collaboration between DAHD and ICAR. Special focus was on research on development of low cost fodder & forage crops, increasing productivity of animals and better health management.
- iii. Both DAHD and DoRD formulated Joint Guidelines for Convergence of various activities of Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying and Department of Rural Development to promote fodder farms and circulated to all States/UTs (AH&VS) for its successful implementation.
