

Brief on CSS Schemes:

CENTRALLY SPONSORED/CENTRAL SECTOR SCHEMES:

The department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services implement the following Centrally Sponsored Schemes and Central Sector Schemes:

A. Centrally Sponsored Schemes:

(I) National Livestock Health and Disease Control

Under this scheme, the following components are implemented for health care of animals and to keep the Islands disease free:-

- i) Assistance to States for control of Animal Disease. (ASCAD):** fund is provided for economically important and zoonotic diseases of livestock and poultry through immunization, strengthening of state Veterinary Biological Production units and State Disease Diagnostic Laboratories and holding of workshops /seminars and training of Veterinarians and para-veterinarians. Fund is also provided for carrying out Immunization Programme.
- ii) National Project for Rinderpest Surveillance and Monitoring (NPRSM):** This scheme aims to maintain disease free status of this territory against Rinderpest by continuous implementation of sero-surveillance programmes under Rinderpest and other infectious diseases, if any.
- iii) Professional Efficiency Development (PED):** Components under the scheme includes operation of the Veterinary Council and conduct of meeting of the council besides conduct of training of Veterinarians and para-Veterinarians.

iv) Establishment & Strengthening of existing Veterinary Hospitals & Dispensaries (ESVHD) : Component includes fund for establishment of new hospitals and dispensaries and up-gradation of existing ones, for improving efficiency as per approved norms.

II) National Animal Disease Control Programme (NADCP)- Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD): Component of the scheme includes tagging of animals, vaccination against FMD meeting the vaccination cost, establishment of temporary quarantine /check posts and other logistical support. FMD vaccination is carried out in two phases in a year in the South Andaman District. The North and Middle Andaman and Nicobars districts are free from FMD.

III) National Livestock Mission (NLM):

The scheme cover all the activities required to ensure quantitative and qualitative improvement in livestock production systems and capacity building of all stakeholders. The objective of the scheme is sustainable development of livestock sector, focusing on improving availability of quality feed and fodder. It aims at improvement of livestock productivity and support projects and initiatives required for it.

(c) Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY):

The Directorate of Agriculture, A & N Administration is the Nodal department for implementation of the scheme in these islands, which releases fund for meeting expenditure towards the following components of sub-sector 'Animal Husbandry'.

Components under the scheme:

- Immunization of Rural Backyard Poultry Birds: Incentive provided to the part time vaccinators for carrying out poultry vaccination @ Rs. 2.00 per bird.
- Incentive for Hygienic Pig Shelter: Providing 25% subsidy subject to a maximum of Rs. 25,000.00 to the selected farmers for the construction of Hygienic shelter with concrete flooring for pigs.
- Study on the status of minerals profile in cattle sera and its correlation with infertility and production (through CIARI, Port Blair).
- Strengthening of Animal Husbandry Delivery System in Andaman & Nicobar Islands – Provision of Mobile Veterinary Services in A & N Islands: Purchase of 05 No. Mobile Ambulatory Clinic.

(B) Central Sector Schemes:

The following Central Sector Schemes are implemented by the department:

a) Integrated Sample Survey (ISS): The main objective of this scheme is to conduct Integrated Sample survey to estimate major livestock Products i.e., Milk, Egg & Meat on seasonal basis viz, summer, rainy and winter.

b) Assistance to States for Conduct of Livestock Census (LSC): This scheme is implemented for the conduct of Quinquennial Livestock Census, its compilation/preparation and submission of result and submission of final data entry to GOI and publication of census report.