

**RTI MATTERS  
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फ.सं. 7-346/डीएच एण्ड वीएस/आरटीआइ/2019/  
F.NO.7-346/DAH&VS/RTI/2019/464

अण्डमान तथा निकोबार प्रशासन  
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION  
पशुपालन तथा पशुचिकित्सा सेवा निदेशालय  
DIRECTORATE OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & VETERINARY SERVICES  
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Port Blair, dated the 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.

To

Shri.Keshav Kumar Singh,  
Laboratory Technician,  
Veterinary Dispensary,  
Port Mout. (Mob No.9434293076).

**Sub:- Seeking information under RTI Act, 2005 - reg.**

Sir,

With reference to your RTI Application dated 05/02/2019 ( bearing R.D.No.974 dated 05/02/2019) on the subject cited above, the following available information in respect of this Directorate is furnished on free of cost as detailed below :-

Sl.No.	Information Sought	Reply
1.	Details of the reply given to the PMO vide the objection raised by the Secretary, Andaman and Nicobar Veterinary Technical Staff Association vide their letter No.ANV TSA/18-19/12 dated 14/01/2019 and PMO PG Portal Registration No.PMOPG/D/2019/ 0017024.	A certified copy of reply uploaded in the PMO PG Portal vide letter No. 6-334/DAH/Estu/VIICPC/2016/368 dated 01/03/2019 in response to to Public Grievance Regn.No.PMOPG/D/2019/017024 consist of 02 nos. pages is enclosed herewith.
2.	Kindly provide the Note Sheet side as well as the correspondence side.	A certified copy of note sheet side consist of 02 nos. pages is enclosed herewith.

As per Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005, you may file an appeal to the First Appellate Authority within 30 days of the issue of this order, whose particulars are given below :-

Director (AH&VS)  
A&N Administration,  
Haddo, Port Blair.

Yours faithfully

Public Information Officer

Encl : As above.

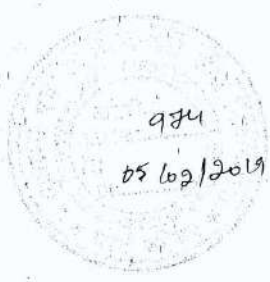
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1. The Nodal Officer (IT), Directorate of AH&VS, Port Blair with request to upload the same together with a copy of application at the official website of the Department as per the request received from the Assistant Secretary (AR&Trg), A&N Administration.

  
Public Information Officer  
15/3/19

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The Public Information Officer  
C/o The Director  
Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services  
Andaman & Nicobar Administration  
Port Blair



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I would like to seek the following information under Right to information act 2005, the details are as under:-

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It is to further state that a fee of Rs. 10/- had been deposited vide IPO No. 23 F 167405.

Dated:- 5/2/2019  
Place:- Port Blair

Yours faithfully

*Handwritten signature:* Keshav  
Keshav Kumar Singh  
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Veterinary Dispensary  
Port Mout.  
Phone No:- 9434293076

368 Under RTI Act

No. F.No.6-334/DAH/Estt/VII CPC/2016/368

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ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION

निदेशालय पशुपालन एवं पशुसेवा विभाग

Directorate of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary services

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Port Blair, dated the 07<sup>th</sup> March, 2019

To

Shri. Keshav Kumar Singh  
General Secretary, ANVTSA

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 14/01/2019, the reply point wise has been furnished as follows:

**Objection No 1: Regarding revision of pay scales of para Veterinary staff working under department of AH&VS, A&N Admn.**

**Reply:-** This is reference to the representation received from the General Secretary, ANVTSA regarding objection of pay revision granted to Para Veterinary Staff of the department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Andaman & Nicobar Administration, addresses to the Hon'ble Prime Minister, New Delhi.

With Sir, Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services is primarily engaged with providing animal health care to the livestock farmers of this Island territory. This department also maintains livestock & poultry farms which serves as training cum demonstration and as breeding units. The para veterinary staffs are the major work force of the department as these staff assist the veterinarian to provide minor veterinary care.

Apart from the para veterinary staff the department also has various allied posts to support the veterinary services like Laboratory Assistant and Technicians, Enumerators and Junior Investigator & Agriculture Demonstrator etc.

Recently based on the recommendation of 6<sup>th</sup> pay Commission the association of para veterinary staff took up the matter of upgradation of entry level pay scale to be at par with those with corresponding duties in other states. The department recommended their case based on available orders and provision as per Govt. of India and forwarded it to the Ministry of agriculture for further necessary action. The Ministry has approved the proposal for upgradation of the pay scales of veterinary compounders from Pay Level-I to Pay Level-IV as per the order No. Q-13038/2017-Admin-6 dated 16/01/2019.

Similarly, the promotional post of Senior Veterinary compounder as well as Livestock Supervisor has been upgraded from basic pay of Rs 1900-2400 & Livestock Supervisor from 2400-4800 per month. The ANVTSA represents the Laboratory Assistant & Laboratory Technicians working in the department and there are 02 Lab Technicians & 08 Lab assistants & 01 X-Ray Technicians employed in the department. The Laboratory Assistants are posted at level of Veterinary Hospitals they are supposed to maintain a basic laboratory were small tests like faecal examination, bloods examination & other routine bio chemical tests. Including collection, preservations & storage of tests materials.

The Andaman & Nicobar Islands are free from most of the infectious & continuous diseases of Livestock enhance facilities for such disease are not available locally. The department carries out sero surveillance and sero monitoring against diseases with the assistance of regional disease diagnostic laboratory from eastern zone.

The nature of job and the recruitment rule are different in different cases. The upgradation of pay of Para veterinary staffs is fulfillment was long overdue & the demands were not after the government reviewed it critically. Upgradation of one cadres pay scale has no influence on the pay scale of other departmental staffs & cannot be denied to the deserving just because other such cadres were not affected.

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B. Narayan  
PIO/DAH&VS



The association of Lab Technicians of the department have submitted their applications to this department for consideration of upgradation of pay scales but is not supported with any specific government orders or directives. Their claim is based on the report of 7<sup>th</sup> CPC which recommends time bound promotion or simply on the basis of comparison with para veterinary staffs claiming upgradation.

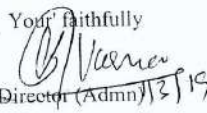
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The Laboratory staff by their very training are trained to take all precautionary measures, to safe guard their own wellbeing as well as others while dealing with any biological samples. In A & N Islands, the laboratory staffs are engaged in normal blood collection, serum separation and hematological and faecal sample examination and doesn't involve handling of hazardous biological agents. However, all veterinary institutions are provided with masks, protective gloves, hand wash and other antiseptics etc. for use of all the staff members working in the institutions whenever required.


Your faithfully

  
Assistant Director (Admn) 13/2/19

Copy to: The Assistant Secretary (PGC) w.r.t your letter dated 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2019.

Assistant Director (Admn)

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