

NAME OF DEPARTMENT : ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND VETERINARY SERVICES

NAME OF THE SUB-SECTOR : ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

VISION upto 2030:

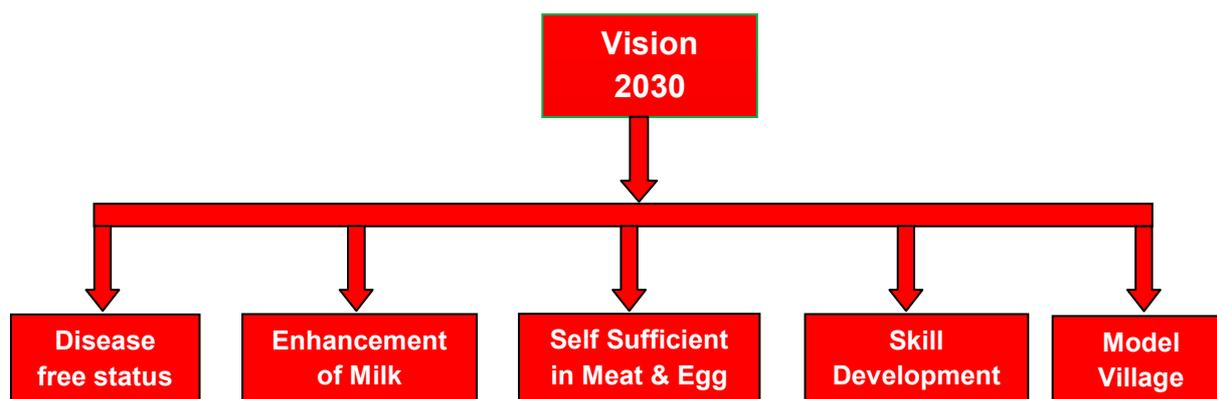
Vision Statement:

- To establish a comprehensive Veterinary Health Care System for maintaining the disease free status of A & N Islands.
- To establish livestock farms to be able to maintain demand & supply ratio of Meat and Egg and Export High value organic products.
- To augment milk production through genetic up-gradation and improving feed and fodder availability.
- To develop Human Resource through establishment of Veterinary College and skill development centres.
- Adoption of Model village in each district to showcase scope and extend of Animal Husbandry activities.

Rationale:

- To maintain the disease free status of this territory in respect of infectious and contagious diseases of livestock and poultry, measures have to be taken to prevent entry of such diseases. The entry of Animal disease will lead to economic loss. To provide legal teeth to these measures, the Prevention and Control of Infectious and Contagious Disease in Animal Act 2009 will be effectively implemented in this UT. The department also strives to improve the health status of existing livestock in order to improve productivity.
- At present, this UT is self sufficient in terms of meat and Eggs. However, with the influx of tourists and expansion of civil and Defence establishment, the demand for livestock products is expected to increase during the coming years. To be prepared to address such contingency and maintain the present balance of Demand & Supply, large units of livestock farms producing inputs to the local farmers will be established. Emphasis will be given to establish export oriented organic based farming.
- As the number of milk producing animal cannot be increased drastically, the productivity of the milch animals needs to be increased to meet the demand. The department aims to upgrade genetic potential of livestock and take steps to generate fodder all over the islands. The milk produced at village level will be procured and marketed by extending milk procurement chain. Necessary assistance for transportation to consumer market, milk procurement and marketing infrastructure including cold chain will be provided for ensuring remunerative price for the milk producer.

- The Govt. is giving emphasis for skill development. The department plans to train local youths in various animal husbandry activities with a view to encourage self employment and livestock based ventures. It is also envisage to establish Veterinary College in this Islands which will help in development human resource as well as providing assistance to veterinary health care of livestock in this UT.
- The department will adopt a village in each districts for developing it as a Model village for Dairy, Goatry and poultry so that farmers can benefit from on hand field training.



Broad Strategies (by 2024)

- Strengthening the comprehensive Veterinary Health Care System for maintenance the disease free status of A & N Islands by improving infrastructure, better diagnosis facilities, providing latest facilities for disease reporting treatment and control & establishment of 02 Veterinary Sub-Dispensary. The measures will be taken to enforce strict quarantine measures to prevent entry of livestock diseases into this Territory.
- It is expected that the requirement of milk will be 132g/day/head by the year 2024. To achieve this there is a need to increase the cattle population from 0.05 Lakhs to 0.06 Lakhs. This will be achieved through various facilities such as breed improvement through Artificial Insemination, Strengthening of market infrastructure, cold chain facility and augmenting the fodder resources etc.
- The projected requirement of eggs by 2024 will be 135 lakh (in No.) from the present level of 100 lakh (in No.). To achieve this, the department will strengthen the Backyard Poultry by providing low input high producing poultry birds and ducks by providing veterinary health care to prevent loss due to diseases, strengthening and expansion of departmental farms and hatcheries to be able to supply necessary low input variety chicks, providing training to the farmers to improve the Husbandry activities. More local youths will be encouraged to take up commercial farming in large scale by giving technological assistance.

- To increase the pig population by supplying Large Yorkshire pigs and Nicobari pigs from departmental farms and to distribute the progeny to the farmers including tribal's for genetic up-gradation of local breed. The pig population will increase from 0.03 lakh to 0.04 lakh by 2024. Local youths will be encouraged to establish **Bacon Factory** which will generate market for local pig farmers who rear small units of piggery.
- Goat population will be increased by increasing the productivity of Teressa and Malabari Goat in the departmental farms and to distribute the progeny to the farmers including tribal's for genetic up-gradation of local breed. The goat population will be increased from 0.06 lakh to 0.07 Lakh.
- Fodder development by popularising Azola cultivation, development of Grazing land in the village and supply of good quality of fodder seeds etc. will be taken up. Modern technology will be adopted to increase productivity.
- Emphasis will be given for Skill Development by training local youths in various Animal Husbandry activities with a view to encourage for establishment of self-employment and livestock based venture. Also provide technical support for setting up of private farms by availing financial assistance from bank.
- Human resource in the field of Veterinary Health care and allied sources will be generated to meet future requirements
- Model village will be established in each district. All the schemes of the department will be implemented in the village with emphasis on integrated farming & planning to generate maximum productivity from minimum inputs. These villages will be showcased for other livestock owners so that they will be motivated.
