

## **NATIONAL PROJECT ON RINDERPEST ERADICATION” (CSS)**

### **A) Details of the Schemes**

This section has been dealing with only one scheme namely

### **B) Details of the scheme and its applicability**

Rinderpest is a dreadful viral disease, which affects cattle, sheep, goat etc., and there is no curative treatment for this disease and therefore preventive vaccinations were done to control the diseases. The vaccinations were carried out at the check post at Madagadipet and Kanniakoil specifically established for this purpose. Due to regular and systematic vaccination programme taken up by the Department no outbreak of the disease has been reported in this Union Territory Since 1985-86. As per the guidelines from NPPE, vaccinations were discontinued from 31.12.1997. Now the activities of the check posts are directed towards clinical surveillance, institutional search and Sero-Surveillance work.

A high power committee for Animal Husbandry to deal with any emergency situation in case of re-emergence of Rinderpest Disease in the Union Territory of Puducherry is constituted with the Secretary, Animal Husbandry as Chairman and the Joint Director(Rinderpest) as Member Secretary.

### **C) Information required in this aspect, which the citizen should be informed**

As part of the awareness campaign bit notices are being distributed to the farmers during the health camps as well as awareness camps and they were explained regarding the importance of the disease and its eradication.

As part of the poster campaign the details of the symptoms were painted on the compound wall of two Veterinary Dispensaries namely Ariyankuppam and Villianur , and is proposed to be painted on all the Veterinary Dispensary compound walls.

### **D) Functions of the Programme Officer**

As per the N.P.R.E guidelines four stock routes in Puducherry district and three stock routes in Karaikal district are identified and the adjoining 122 villages are identified as stock route villages. Searches have been carried out regularly twice in a month to find out any foci of infection by the respective Veterinary Assistant Surgeons/Livestock Assistants.

In addition this Union Territory of Puducherry consists of 244 ordinary villages (excluding 122 village which come under stock route). Searches are carried out in these villages twice in a year to find out any foci of infection by the respective Veterinary Assistant Surgeons/Livestock Assistants.

The Programme Officer viz Joint Director (RES) as a routine inspects all the Veterinary institutions. During the visit he checks the records maintained by the staff. In addition the NPRE scheme officers attend to the various camps conducted by this Department such as Cattle shows, Health camps, Calf rallies etc and explains the farmers in detail about the importance of Rinderpest diseases and its eradication.

**E) Rules and Acts implemented**

-Nil-

**F) Services provided to Citizens, Business community etc.,**

This section is having a close watch over the Daybook searches, village searches and stock route searches carried out by the staff of this Department to find out any foci of infection as routine surveillance work.

**G) Application and forms applicable to the scheme**

-Nil-

OIE, Paris declaration

Organisation Mondiale de la Santé Animale  
World Organisation for Animal Health  
Organización Mundial de Sanidad Animal

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## Certificate

### Rinderpest status of India

This is to certify that following a recommendation of the OIE Scientific Commission for Animal Diseases, the International Committee of the OIE approved on 27 May 2004 that India be recognised by the OIE as free from rinderpest disease in accordance with the provisions of Appendix 3.8.2 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code.

This recognition is based on the documentation submitted to the OIE by the Official Veterinary Services of India. The Delegate of India to the OIE has the obligation to notify the OIE immediately of any significant epidemiological event relating to rinderpest disease in India.



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Paris, 27 May 2004



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#### I) Other staff of the Department

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#### J) Seniority list of the staff of the Department

-Nil-

#### K) e-mail facility of the Rinderpest Eradication Section

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#### Other details:

The dreadful viral disease has been eradicated and now the country is free from the disease due to the effective implementation of the project by the Govt. of India. The OIE, Paris has declared that our country is free from the disease. But still, the re-occurrence is to be averted by way of strengthening the monitoring, surveillance of infection as the neighbouring countries are yet to attain this status.