

**Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare**  
**Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries**

**1. Important policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month of May, 2018:-**

Animal Husbandry Sector:

- i) Advisory on Measures to be taken for Increasing Availability of Fodder to Mitigate the Effect of Natural Calamities were issued by this Department to all States/ UTs so that if drought situation arises, the shortage of fodder could be addressed effectively.
- ii) Regular Weekly Meetings of Crop Weather Watch Group for Drought Management (CWWGDM) was followed by a Video Conference with State Governments to monitor drought situation in the country and thereby fodder scarcity.
- iii) Examination was held by the Standing Committee on Agriculture, of the subject Ensuring Quality of Milk and Consumer Grievances redressal Mechanism in Dairy sector.

Dairy Sector:

- i) Secretary (ADF) reviewed the milk situation in the country in a meeting on 29.05.2018 with the representatives of NDDB, State Governments and State Co-operative Milk Federations.

Fisheries Sector:

- i) Coastal States/ UTs Minister's Conference was held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare at Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi on 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2018. The conference was attended by Hon'ble Fisheries Ministers/ officials of all coastal States/UTs to discuss various issues related to Marine Fisheries viz. (a) National Policy on Marine Fisheries; (ii) Draft Guidelines for regulation of fishing in EEZ and High Seas; (iii) Marine Fisheries (Regulation & Management) Bill; (iv) Ban on use of LED light by fishing vessels; (v) Discouraging bottom trawling and (vi) other State specific issues, prospects, constrains and the focused areas were discussed individually with the States/ UTs.
- ii) Secretary (ADF) reviewed the implementation of various Fisheries Developmental activities under CSS-Blue Revolution: Integrated Development & Management scheme in a meeting with Principal

Secretaries of all States/ UTs at Krishi Bhawan on 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2018. The progress of implementation of the various projects, prospects and constraints and the focused areas were also discussed individually with the States/UTs.

Animal Husbandry Statistics:

- i) Adviser(Statistics) of this Department went to Tripura to address the following issues with the State Principal Secretary, Animal Husbandry and other senior officers of the State:
  - (a) Delay in procurement of tablet computers sanctioned under NMBP scheme;
  - (b) To assess the preparedness of the State towards 20<sup>th</sup> livestock census;
  - (c) Non-receipt of the major livestock products statistics for the year 2017-18;
  - (d) To assess the quality of work related to Integrated Sample Survey.
- ii) A delegation from this Department together with NIC Team went to Jaipur, Rajasthan for completion of mater file creation and its mapping of the State of Rajasthan for 20<sup>th</sup> Livestock Census.

International Cooperation:

- i) Two officers of this Department participated in the 7<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Fishery Commission (APFIC) Regional Consultative Forum Meeting on Sustainable Development for Resilient Blue Growth of Fisheries and Aquaculture in Asia Pacific Regional Consultative Forum Meeting on Sustainable Development for Resilient Blue Growth of Fisheries and Aquaculture in Asia Pacific Regions held during 07-09<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 at Cebu, Philippines.
- ii) Joint Secretary (Cattle and Dairy Development) participated in the 20<sup>th</sup> International Agriculture Exhibition Agritech in Israel from 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.
- iii) Joint Secretary (Fisheries) participated in the 35<sup>th</sup> Session of Asia-Pacific Fishery Commission (APFIC) held during 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 at Cebu, Philippines. The Commission reviewed the draft 6-year APFIC Strategy (2018-2023) prepared by the Secretariat and endorsed the new strategy with comments and suggested revisions. This Session also discussed the modalities to strengthen the operational capability and financial situation of the Commission with decreasing budgetary support for FAO regular programme towards the commission's work.

- iv) One officer from Livestock Health Division participated in the SCO conference on Joint prevention on control of transboundary animal disease in China from 12<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.
- v) One officer from Fisheries Division participated in the meeting of WTO members in the Negotiating Group of Rules on fisheries subsidies during 16-17<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 at Geneva, Switzerland. Members exchanged views and information on support for capital and operating costs of fishing, and related policies, in the context of on-going work on disciplining subsidies that enhance or maintain fishing capacity or contribute to overcapacity and overfishing. Members also agreed to continue the work begun in 2017 to streamline negotiating texts in preparation for a return to text-based negotiations.
- vi) One officer from Cattle Division participated in the 1<sup>st</sup> Joint Working Group (JWG) meeting in Philippines from 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.
- vii) Secretary (ADF) along with Animal Husbandry Commissioner & Joint Secretary (Livestock Health) participated in the 86<sup>th</sup> Annual General Session of the World Assembly of National Delegates of the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) in Paris from 20<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.
- viii) A group of officers from Fishery Division participated in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (S22), held during 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 at Bangkok, Thailand.

Grievance disposal:

The Grievance disposal for DADF is 96% under CPGRAM portal.

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