

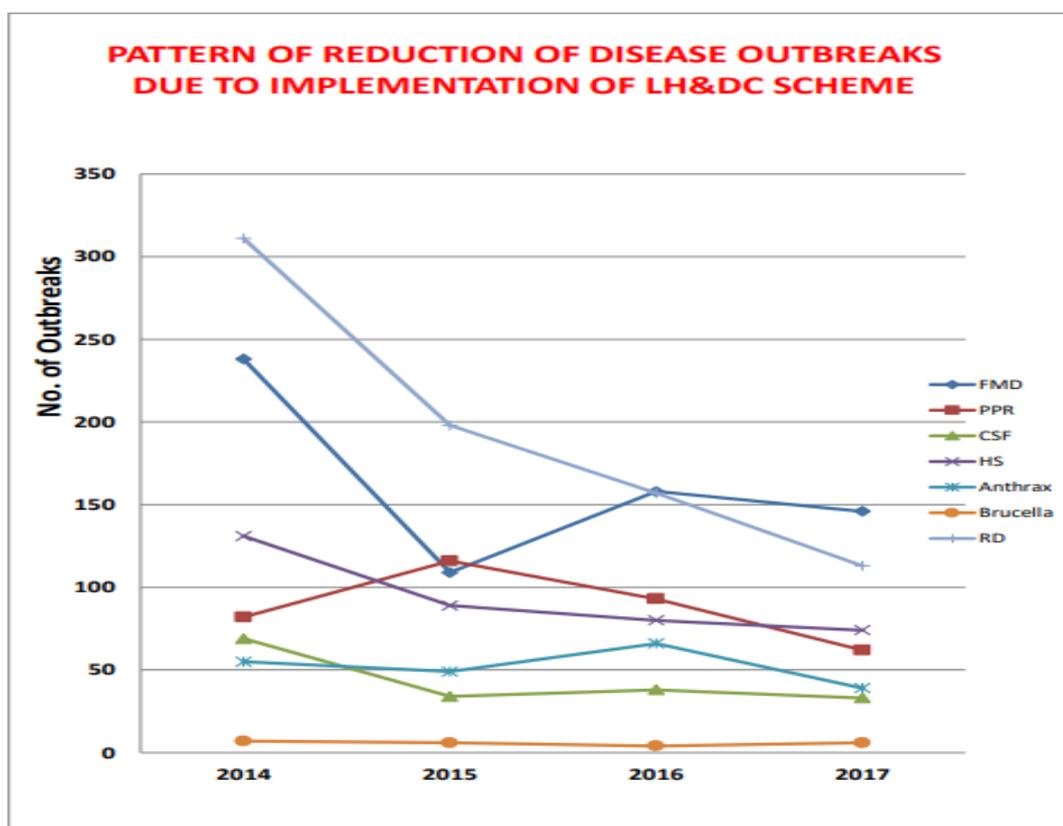
New initiatives for doubling farmers' income

While doubling farmers' income is the objective, yet from the perspective of the Live Stock Health Division of DADF, it is control and containment of animal diseases that hurt the country's economy – vaccination not only prevent and control diseases like Foot & Mouth Disease (FMD) in bovine animals and *Peste des petit ruminants* (PPR) or goat plague in sheep and goats but also reduce economic losses by way of reducing expenses towards treatment, loss in milk yield, etc.

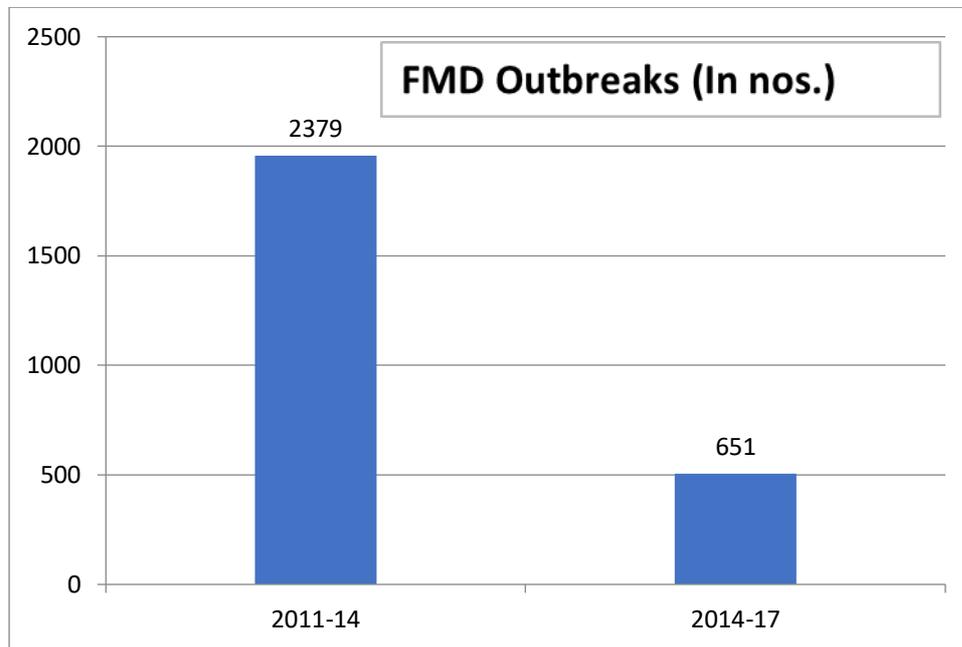
To reduce economic losses as well as increase farmers' income by way of earning income through export of animals and animal products, DADF has proposed creation of **Disease-Free Zones** (Andhra Pradesh- Telangana and Maharashtra) to OIE (*World Organization for Animal Health*) for its approval. Such a step would boost export of meat and in turn benefit farmers (animal holders).

The **FMD control programme**, aimed at eradication of the disease by 2030, has been extended to the entire country from March 2017. It envisages vaccination of all eligible cattle and buffalo population at six-monthly intervals.

The **PPR control programme** that will benefit rural small / non-land holding farmers has also been extended to the entire country. The programme involves vaccination of all susceptible goats and sheep and their three subsequent generations (approx. 30% sheep and goat population) with an objective to declare the country free from PPR by 2025.

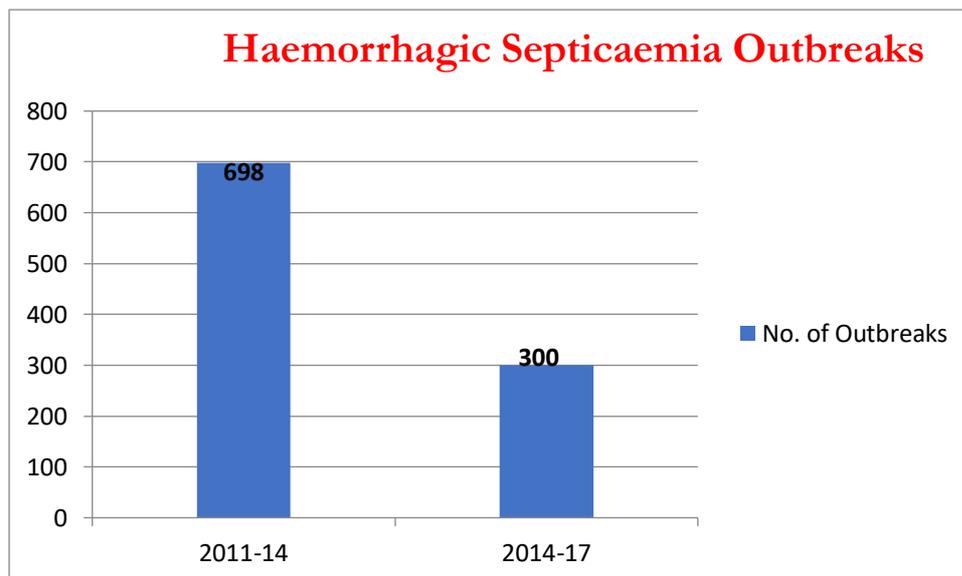


Drastic Reduction in FMD Outbreaks



FMD outbreaks which were 2379 during 2010-2013 have drastically reduced to 651 only during the period 2014-17. It is decreased significantly by 72.36 percent

Significant drop in HS Outbreaks



HS outbreaks which were 698 during 2011-2014 have been reduced significantly to 300 during 2014-2017.