

Regional Livestock Development Centre, Zhemgang

Zhemgang Dzongkhag

BACKGROUND



Office of Regional Livestock Development Centre

Regional Livestock Development Centre (RLDC) Zhemgang is among the central programs previously known as Regional Veterinary Laboratory (RVL), which became a full-fledged Regional Livestock Development Centre in the year 2009, under implementation of GOI livestock Project. It is located below Zhemgang town near to Dzongkhag Veterinary Hospital, Zhemgang. During the 11th FYP period, the RLDC has been

acting as focal agency for Livestock development programs in the respective region. This regional centre functions as demonstration centre and technological hub for regional research and the application in livestock development. The RLDC will be critical for consolidation of inputs and services from commodity programs to the Dzongkhags/central farms and also provide feedback from Dzongkhags and central farms to research center and commodity program.

MANDATES

- To provide technical backstopping on livestock development activities.
- Veterinary diagnostic services to the field staffs and central farms in the region
- Monitoring and evaluation of Essential Veterinary Drug Programme in the region
- Disease investigation and surveillance, outbreaks investigation, and control measures
- To undertake investigation based animal health problems and research.
- Participate at the Dzongkhags and Regional programs including RNR meetings, workshops and farmer's trainings
- To establish efficient diagnostic services in the region with good network through collection of samples, diagnose the problems and guidance accordingly

- Attend to outcalls as and when referred by the field staff, for equipped handling and rendering of services.
- Co-ordinate trainings for livestock staffs in the field.
- Principal role in transfer of technology along with replication of successful programs in the region.

OBJECTIVES

Short term

- To provide diagnostic, field investigation support, advisory support in the overall animal health delivery services to the four Dzongkhags and central farms under the region. Monitor animal health program in the region and maintain animal health and laboratory database.
- Investigate livestock diseases.
- Conduct need based animal health research

Long term

- To control, prevent and eradicate as many livestock

- diseases as possible through constant screening and animal health services
- Efficient manpower in the field through constant training and guidance
 - To develop strong epidemiological database for economic analysis for major livestock diseases through well planned active disease investigation and surveillance in the region
 - Enhanced animal productivity
 - Improved breeding through constant screening and management of animal reproductive problems.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE UNITS

Since the inception of RLDC, the units have been broadened for quick service delivery and to enable achieve production success which would ultimately alleviate poverty.