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To : All Directors & Provincial Directors.

Promotion of Goat Breed Improvement and Mutton Production

The progeny of the imported Jamnapari parent stock of Indian origin have been issued selected Bonefidae Goat Farmers continuously since 1998 to 2002 on an agreement.

Presently there are 35 farms already identified from Central , NCP , NWP , Southern, Western and North East province and registered as private breeders under the Goat Development Project of Central Department of Animal Production & Health . On the basis of the records maintained at these registered farms Jamnapari male (and crosses) at the age of 8-12 months would be purchased and issued among the farmers who are interested in mutton production under this new project proposed for the year 2004.

- 2. Objective - Cross breeding of local goat population by introducing the Jamnapari crosses selected from Breeder(open nucleus farms) farms and promote mutton production.
- 3. Activities
 - 3.1 Issue of 100 stud goats to interested farmers of low income groups and promote mutton production among them.
 - 3.1.1 These 100 farmers would be selected from Veterinary Ranges on the basis of their ability to provide animal feed and fodder.
 - 3.1.2 Selections of 100 Jamnapari crosses (8-12 months of age) and purchase them and issue to 100 farmers on an agreement.
 - 3.2 Programme to avoid inbreeding of goats from the Goat Farms in the registered herd.
 - 3.2.1 Issuing of Jamnapari stud goats to registered Open Nucleus goat farms on an agreement or supply of imported goat semen to relevant veterinary offices for Artificial Insemination.

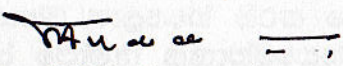
4. Areas of Operation

Central , NCP , NWP , Southern, Western and North East provinces.

5. Following facilities are available for the staff of the Provincial Department for implementation of this programme.

5.1 One half subsistence for 04 farm visits (for selection of goats , purchase of goats , selection of farmers , distribution of goats and follow up visits) will be paid by DAP&H.

The above activities would be carried out by the Provincial Department of Animal production & Health under the guidance of Central Department of Animal Production & Health.


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