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To all directors, Provincial directors and
Veterinary Surgeons

Promotion of Artificial insemination through registration of calves

This circular will replace the Departmental circular No. 3/2004 dated 10th August 2004.

Please note that there will not be much changes except in supply of Urea Molasses Blocks, drugs for worm infestations and fuel allocation for field visits.

Urea Molasses Multi nutrient Blocks will be provided for all the dams having calves (Bull Calves and Heifer Calves) born off Artificial Insemination. Each dam is entitled to receive 9 blocks at the rate of three blocks per month for first three months of calving.

2. **Objectives** - To promote artificial insemination service through registering all AI born calves and increase of milk production of the dams.

3. **Activities** - 3.1 Identify all the calves (bull calves, heifer calves) born off artificial insemination. Register heifer calves using the registration cards and ear tags

3.2 All the dams of the identified calves (bull calves, heifer calves) under 3.1 would be provided with urea molasses multi-nutrient blocks (UMMB) free of charge. Each cow is entitled to receive 9 blocks at the rate of three blocks (each 2kg) per month for three months.

3.3 Essential medicines routinely required for prevention of tick infestation will be provided by the Animal Breeding Division. In future supply of Antihelminthics will not be met by the Animal Breeding Division. However a special programme has been undertaken by Animal Health Division which would cover the requirement of Antihelminthics for control of worm infestation of calves.

3.4 Introduces an insurance scheme for registered heifer calves. 50% of premium would be born by the farmers and 50% by the Department of Animal Production and Health.

4. Input supply and delivery of Molasses blocks would be met by the division of animal breeding.

5. Expected activities from the provincial staff of the Department of Animal Production and Health would be as follows

1. Reporting of the all the calves born off Artificial Insemination during the year 2004 - 2005
2. Registration of 25,000 heifer calves using the registration cards. A copy of the registration of the card to be sent promptly to the respective provincial director's office and copies to the Director, Animal Breeding is not required
3. Identification of heifer calves by ear tagging at the age of one month
4. Maintain a separate register to record the events occur during that process
5. Distribution mineral blocks to dams of all calves (bull calves, heifer calves)

6. Following facilities are available for the staff of the provincial council engaged in Calf Registration.

6.1 Subsistence

Maximum of four visits can be made for each heifer Calf during the first year. One-half substances for visiting five calves (either for Registration or subsequent follow up visits)

6.2 Fuel Allocation - Motor Bicycle / Four Wheel Vehicle

Maximum of Rs. 750/= will be allocated per person. Fuel Allocation varies with the number of registered calves visited.

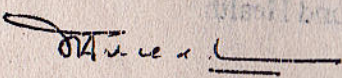
No. of Registered Heifer Calves Visited	Fuel Allocation (Rs.)
Up to 10 Calves	150.00
Up to 20 Calves	300.00
Up to 30 Calves	450.00
Up to 40 Calves	600.00
Up to 50 or more calves	750.00

In order to claim the above activities clearly written AI certificates pertaining to each and every calving, a copy of the registration card of the heifer calf should be submitted for first instance and the supporting reports for subsequent visits later together with the traveling claim to the provincial director

The traveling claim should be accompanied with the voucher for the recovery of expenses for fuel and also with the report with information on heifer calf.

The imprests obtain by the provincial director for the project activities should be settled every month.

The above activities will be implemented by the provincial field staff with the guidance of the provincial director and the director of animal breeding.


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