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**AGREEMENT ON ANIMAL HEALTH  
BETWEEN  
THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING,  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA  
AND  
AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK SERVICE,  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHILE**

The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of India and Agriculture and Livestock Service, Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Chile, hereinafter referred to as parties,

- Desirous to promote coordination and technical cooperation on Animal Health protection issues in Agriculture.
- Desirous to the prevention of the introduction and spread of animal disease agents and vectors of such agents in the territory of both countries.
- Recognising that strengthening coordination and cooperation in the field of animal health and animal protection will contribute to the facilitation of the trade in agricultural commodities between both countries in accordance with the Agreement on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures of the World Trade Organisation;
- Hereby agree to the following:

**ARTICLE - 1**

The Parties will undertake to promote cooperation in the field of animal health, protection and quarantine and take necessary measures for prevention of spread of infectious disease on their territory in connection with the trade by animals, animal products, raw materials of animal origin and animal feed.

## ARTICLE - 2

The Parties will conclude supplementary agreement to the present agreement for addressing and resolving zoo sanitary issues, matters of interest involving further details of technological/operational inputs.

## ARTICLE - 3

The Parties will facilitate:

- a) The collaboration and technical assistance in the field of animal health, protection and quarantine.
- b) The exchange on technical and research information of animal health, protection and quarantine legislation, and Animal Production i.e. Breeding Genetics, Physiology, Nutrition etc.
- c) Mutual exchange of information regarding each country's implementation of the standards, general outlines, recommendations and principles of the International Office of Epizooties, the Codex Alimentarius and the Agreement on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures, of the World Trade Organization.
- d) Exchange on information of animal disease, including emerging disease; agent and or/vectors of such disease agents in the territory of the parties.
- e) Joint training of scientists and specialists in animal health, quarantine methods and procedures, including risk analysis and methodologies.
- f) Exchange of animal health experts and their participation in symposiums and seminars organised by either of the two parties.

## ARTICLE - 4

The Parties shall establish a Working Group, which shall be composed of members nominated by the two parties. The Committee shall hold biennial meetings alternately in each country or at the request of one of parties, and shall have functions as follows:

- a) Discuss emerging issues, increase coordination, promote technical cooperation and identify training and information requirement;

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- b) Draw up supplementary agreements referred to above with regard to application of this agreement;
  - c) To make, if necessary, proposal for amendments or supplementary provisions to this agreement, to be approved by the parties.
  - d) To submit, if necessary, to respective Government proposal for cooperation on matters relating to the Agreement and the supplementary agreements and those arising from recommendations made by the Competent International Bodies (OIE, FAO, WHO....)
  - e) Any other matter relating to the implementation of the Agreement.

This Working Group will hold their first meeting in a period no longer than six months after the signature of the Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE - 5**

The sending party shall bear the cost of international air travel and the receiving party shall provide local hospitality for such persons deputed under the work plan/ cooperation programme pursuant to this subject to availability of resources and subject to the laws and regulations of the two countries in short term programme. Entire cost for long-term programme will be borne by the sending party.

#### **ARTICLE - 6**

This Agreement shall in no way, affect the commitments of the Parties under the existing bilateral agreements between the two countries.

#### **ARTICLE - 7**

All disputes relating to interpretation and implementation of this Agreement will be resolved by negotiations between the Parties.

**ARTICLE - 8**

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its signing and shall be valid for a period of five (5) years.

Thereafter, it will be renewable by a tacit agreement for further similar periods unless either party gives a written notice of its intention to terminate the Agreement at least six months (6) prior to the expiry of the validity of the Agreement.

In case of termination, the programmes and actions, which are being carried out, shall, however, remain valid and shall be governed by provisions of this Agreement till their completion.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the following representatives duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments have signed this Agreement.

Done at New Delhi, on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2003, in two originals in English language, both being equally authentic.

**Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying**  
Ministry of Agriculture  
Government of India



**BINOO SEN**  
SECRETARY

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