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Government of India

Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying

Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Guidelines for Minimum Standards of Veterinary Infrastructure in India - Reg.

India's veterinary infrastructure forms the backbone of effective service delivery to the livestock

sector, which is central to the livelihood and economic well-being of our rural communities. The national

network of veterinary hospitals, dispensaries, aid centers, diagnostic laboratories, mobile units, and training

institutions plays a critical role in safeguarding animal health, enhancing productivity, and supporting rural

incomes.

2. The Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying has constituted a committee to study and suggest

practical norms for the veterinary infrastructure in the country in Office Order No.K-11/47/2024-LH (E-

27777) Dt: 29.17.2024. The committee has submitted its recommendations. The recommendations of the

committee are considered by the Government and it is decided to accept the recommendations of the

committee.

3. The minimum standards for Veterinary Infrastructure provide for the following Infrastructure:

i). Primary Veterinary Care Centre (PVCC) serving a cluster of Gram Panchayats up to a maximum of 8

Gram Panchayats with a provision for at least one field level Veterinary Assistant for each Gram Panchayat

under PVCC.

ii). Block Veterinary Hospital

iii). District Veterinary Hospital at District Level and

iv). State Veterinary Hospital at State Level.

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4. The Guidelines for Minimum Standards of Veterinary Infrastructure in India is enclosed herewith. The States and UTs are requested to adopt the standards and take appropriate action for ensuring the infrastructure and human resources at various levels as prescribed in these guidelines in a time bound manner. These are minimum standards; the State/UT may establish institutions and provide infrastructure

and human resources over and above these standards.

This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Encl: Guidelines for Minimum Standards of Veterinary Infrastructure in India

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