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NDDB's Alamadhi Semen Station Aims to Boost Dairy Farming with Unique Breed Preservation



The NDDB Dairy Services, through its Alamadhi Semen Station, is dedicated to conserving and promoting rare milch cow breeds, particularly those with high pedigree bulls like Kangayam, Punganur, Ongole, and Vechur. Kangayam bulls, renowned for their athleticism, play a central role in the traditional sport of Jallikattu. Punganur, considered a symbol of Goddess Lakshmi, and Vechur, recognized as the world's smallest breed in the Guinness Records, are also priorities.

Alamadhi Semen Station, located 25 km north of Chennai, provides frozen semen of healthy, disease-free, high-genetic-merit bulls under the Superior Animal Genetic (SAG) program.

This initiative is set to supply 10 million semen doses in the current fiscal year to dairy farmers across South India, potentially boosting milk production. With a focus on doubling artificial insemination coverage, the station aims to expand its capacity to nearly 20 million doses annually, maintaining a diverse breeding bull population, including Holstein Freiesians and Jerseys.

Thane Authorities Proactively Address Lumpy Skin Disease Resurgence, Ensure Safety for Cattle



Thane district officials are taking swift action to combat the reemergence of Lumpy Skin Disease in cattle, exhibiting their preparedness and commitment to safeguard livestock. This ailment has been recently reported in multiple districts across Maharashtra, including Jalgaon, Ahmednagar, Pune, Latur, Satara, Amravati, Solapur, and Kolhapur.

Following state government guidelines, Thane district has been categorized as a "controlled area" under the directive of Collector Ashok Shingare, who also leads the district's disaster management committee. This declaration entails the temporary prohibition of cattle fairs, races, and exhibitions, all geared toward disease prevention.

In a notable show of vigilance, officials have identified symptoms akin to Lumpy Skin Disease in cattle within Bhiwandi taluka of the district. While this viral disease has been reported in India since 2019, Thane authorities are committed to mitigating its impact and ensuring the welfare of the affected cattle.

National Monitors to Elevate Oversight of Expanding Livestock Schemes in India



In a significant move, the Indian government is set to deploy National Level Monitors (NLMs) to ensure the effective implementation of livestock schemes, including the National Livestock Mission and Rashtriya Gokul Mission. These initiatives, along with the National Programme for Dairy Development and Livestock Health and Disease Control program, will benefit from NLM monitoring.

The NLMs will conduct two types of monitoring, regular and special, focusing on program adherence to prescribed guidelines and inclusive, unbiased beneficiary selection. They will also gather villagers' feedback and assess transparency. In cases of complaints or fund misutilization, NLMs will investigate as third-party independent monitors.

With India's livestock sector's substantial contribution to the economy, this initiative aims to ensure objective and impartial scheme monitoring. The NLMs, including retired civil and defense officers and academia members, will help further enhance the performance and impact of these vital programs.

FSSAI Enhances Surveillance to Ensure Pure and Safe Sweets for Diwali Celebration

As the festive season of Diwali approaches, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) is taking proactive measures to safeguard the quality and purity of sweets, particularly dairy-based treats that are a beloved part of the celebrations



FSSAI has instructed its 4,000 state-level officers to ramp up their vigilance over sweet retailers and manufacturers across the nation. As milk is a primary ingredient in most Indian sweets, FSSAI aims to combat adulteration, especially as sweet consumption surges during the Diwali festival.

G. Kamala Vardhana Rao, CEO of FSSAI, emphasized the importance of intensifying sweet surveillance to ensure consumer safety. State food safety officials are tasked with conducting inspections and collecting samples to assess product quality. Stringent action will be taken against non-compliant entities, strengthening consumer trust in the quality of sweets during this festive period.

Additionally, FSSAI is demonstrating a commitment to dairy product quality by increasing the number of surveillance samples from 1 lakh to 7 lakh in the coming year. To further enhance the quality of milk and its products, a national survey is underway, jointly conducted by the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) and the Quality Council of India, involving the collection of around 10,000 samples. This comprehensive approach underscores the importance of dairy product quality and safety for the well-being of consumers during the festive season and beyond.

AIIVS to Revolutionize Veterinary Sciences with Specialized Research and Treatment"



In a groundbreaking development for aspiring veterinarians, the All India Institute of Veterinary Sciences (AIIVS) is set to open its doors, offering an array of super-speciality streams in Veterinary Sciences. Recognized as an institution of national importance, AIIVS, located in Delhi, plans to be a pioneer in veterinary education and research.

AIIVS will provide students with the opportunity to delve into specialized areas such as animal anatomy, physiology, nutrition, genetics, pathology, veterinary forensics, and Indian Knowledge Systems in Veterinary medicine. Additionally, the institute will incorporate cutting-edge technologies, including AI in veterinary medicine and state-of-the-art laboratories for specialized surgeries.

The admission process will admit 200 students annually, based on their NEET merit list rankings at undergraduate, postgraduate, and Ph.D. levels. This initiative aims to address the critical need for super-specialist veterinarians to enhance disease detection and treatment in animals. The lack of such experts has hampered timely animal care, which, in turn, poses zoonotic disease risks for humans.

The AIIVS will operate as an autonomous institution with separate treatment centers for domestic and wild animals. These facilities will feature dedicated departments, advanced surgical and medical resources, and comprehensive care for both exotic and indigenous animals. AIIVS's establishment aligns with the One Health initiative of the World Health Organization, addressing health concerns at the animal-human-environment interface and recognizing that a significant percentage of human diseases are of zoonotic origin.

CEDSI Workshop Series

Centre of Excellence for Dairy Skills in India (CEDSI) is set to launch a series of Dairy Stakeholder Workshops, each tailored to specific stakeholder groups. These workshops are poised to play a pivotal role in fostering knowledge sharing, raising awareness, and driving transformative actions within their respective domains.

- **Co-operative Stakeholders Workshop:** The workshop themed on “Role of cooperatives & Producer organisations in the development of Dairy Sector” is aimed to understand and identify the bottlenecks in working with dairyfarmers and implementation of the technologies for quality improvement
- **Dairy Farmers Workshop:** The workshop themed on Challenges and Opportunities in Dairy farming is a significant endeavor to understand the technological innovations vis-a-vis opportunities and bottleneck in the path of dairy development. It aimed to facilitate a meaningful exchange of knowledge and ideas among the key stakeholders especially Dairy Farmers and academia.
- **Dairy Industry Workshop:** CEDSI's Dairy Industry Workshop will serve as a vital platform for industry professionals, fostering dialogue on emerging trends, innovations, and sustainability practices within the dairy sector. Key discussions will revolve around modernizing the industry to meet the evolving needs of consumers.
- **Cattle Feed Workshop:** This workshop will equip stakeholders in the cattle feed sector with the latest advancements in nutrition and feed production.
- **Government-NGOs Collaboration Workshop:** Collaborative efforts between the government and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) are crucial for addressing pressing social and environmental issues.

Who are we

“The Centre of Excellence for Dairy Skills in India (CEDSI)” an autonomous institution working under the aegis of the Agriculture Skill Council of India (ASCI) under the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, to help the empowerment and betterment of Livelihood of farmers, wage workers, and other stakeholders in the Dairy value chain.

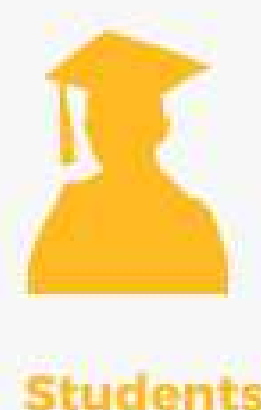
CEDSI Membership will provide a unique platform for the industry leaders, policymakers, development practitioners, dairy scientists, researchers, students, and farmers to debate and discuss the issues of imminent importance to the dairy industry.

Centre of Excellence for Dairy Skills in India

Join Our Membership Drive and Get Benefits of

- ✓ Platform to interact with other members in the sector
- ✓ Networking opportunities with corporate leaders and government authorities
- ✓ Special costs of training in Skill India Certified Programmes
- ✓ Access to our Journal and Publications
- ✓ Expert advice in day-to-day operations and management of livestock /farm productions
- ✓ Free registration on the job portal and regular updates on job vacancies in the sector
- ✓ Recognize your organization with CEDSI Yearly Awards and Recognition
- ✓ Chance to reach across the board through advertising in our press releases, news and articles
- ✓ Consultative and advisory services to help members
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- ✓ Periodic e-newsletter for the latest news, govt. announcement and schemes in dairy sectors
- ✓ Updates on training programs of CEDSI and access to the training calendar

Who Can Become a Member -



CEDSI : Reviving Skills and Generating Livelihood

Skill Training Programme for Farmers/ Students/ Entrepreneurs

- Dairy Farmer/ Entrepreneur
- Dairy Farm Supervisor
- Dairy Worker
- Animal Health Worker
- Artificial Insemination Technician
- Veterinary Field Assistant
- Veterinary Clinical Assistant
- Calf Rearing
- Farm Equipment Technician
- Dairy farm Economics and Management
- Industry Aligned Certification Programs (Unemployed Youth and Students)

FPO Oriented Training Programs

- FPO Member Orientation on Product Technology and Processes.
- FPO Market Linkage
- FPO Governance
- FPO Accounting

Flagship Skill Training Programme for Dairy Corporates and Cooperatives

- Chilling Plant Technician
- Bulk Milk Cooler Operator
- Village Level Milk Collection Centre Supervisor
- Milk Tester
- Green-house Gases Mitigation
- Milk Quality Assurance
- Milk Delivery Boy
- Milk Procurement & Input Supervisor
- Waste Management In Dairy Industry
- Feed And Fodder Management
- Clean Milk Production
- Decision Support System/ Data Analytics