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Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Govt. of India Hosted Stakeholder Engagement Panel Discussion "One Health Concept to Practicality"

The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD) organized a stakeholder engagement panel discussion on the topic "One Health Concept to Practicality", that brought together some of the key stakeholders from the One Health ecosystem in the country. It was a platform where stakeholders discussed the challenges, the opportunities, the gaps, the traditional inefficiencies, the next steps and the way forward towards the efficient and effective implementation of the One Health initiative in the country.

Shri Atul Chaturvedi, Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying delivered the opening remarks. In his opening remarks, Shri Atul Chaturvedi deliberated, One Health is an approach which recognizes that animal health, human health and the environment are inextricably connected. Thus, effective animal health management has played a critical role in preventing the disease spill over to humans, thereby saving a huge amount of money, which eventually would be utilized in containing and combating infections in humans.



In an attempt to make Jammu & Kashmir self-sufficient in milk production a Pashu Vyapar Mela was organized at Hiranagar

Principal Secretary, Animal & Sheep Husbandry, Navin Kumar Choudhary, inaugurated 2-day Vishal Pashudhan Vyapar Mela' at Sports Stadium, Hiranagar. The two-day Mela being organised by the Department of Animal and Sheep Husbandry is first of its kind where sale and purchase of multiple breeds of cows, buffaloes, sheep, goat and other animals is being provisioned.

Navin Choudhary said the object of launching hand holding schemes in Animal and Sheep Husbandry was to make Jammu and Kashmir UT self-sufficient in milk production which at present imports over 25% of the total milk consumption from Punjab and Haryana. He added that major events like 'Vishal Pashudhan Vyapar Mela' is a serious attempt to give well organised platform to farmers to sell and purchase good quality breeds of cows, buffaloes, etc from Punjab, Himachal and other neighbouring states besides good variety from within Jammu and Kashmir.



Creamline Dairy to established a dairy processing plant at Sabbavaram near Visakhapatnam city

'Latest Technology to ensure efficient col storage and minimum use of power' A dairy processing plant will be established by Creamline Dairy Products Limited (CDPL) with an investment of 40 crore at Sabbavaram near Visakhapatnam city. The company, which produces milk and milk products such as curd, buttermilk and lassi under the brand name 'Godrej Jersey', is leading private dairy player in South India.

"Milk is an easily available protein source and it can be consumed in diverse ways to suit the taste buds. The commencement of our new dairy processing plant gives us an opportunity to meet the requirement of consumers in Vishakhapatnam, East Godavari, Vizianagaram and Srikakulam districts," said the CEO of Creamline Dairy.

Gopal Ratna Award: Dairy Farmers can win up to Rs. 5 Lakh; Apply before 15 September

The Rashtriya Gokul Mission has been launched by the government for conservation and development of indigenous breeds - in a focused and scientific manner. The mission also envisages establishment of integrated cattle development centres, Gokul grams to develop indigenous breeds including up to 40% nondescript breeds. Gopal Ratna Award is given every year by the Central Government to dairy farmers, best artificial insemination technicians, and milk producing companies for development of milk production sector.

The Gopal Ratna Award is given under three categories-

1. Best Dairy Farmer
2. Best Artificial Insemination Technician
3. Best Dairy Cooperative/ Milk producer Company/ Dairy Farmer producer Organization (FPO)

Eligible farmers/dairy cooperative societies/ AI technicians can apply for the award online, portal for award will open from July 15, 2021. And the winners for the award will be announced on October 31, 2021.



India is preparing for hosting 2022 World Dairy Summit

India is currently working on developing a smart backyard dairying model near Delhi to exhibit during the World Dairy Summit in 2022 in New Delhi. The annual flagship summit of the International Dairy Federation or IDF is actually a platform for dairy stakeholders that include farmers, researchers, processors & marketers, to exchange knowledge as well as ideas on better dairying practices.

For this, the Government of India has involved the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) and Indian Dairy Association (IDA), besides private players and cooperatives as its stakeholders. In addition, an organizing committee has been formed with all the stakeholders as part of it. As many as 5000 participants, 50% of whom will be from abroad are expected to attend the one-week event that usually takes place around Sept-Oct. The summit will have exhibitions, technical sessions, farmer sessions, farm visits, social events, and business engagements.



Milk supply to Mumbai and Pune hit as Kolhapur, Sangli affected by floods

The milk collection was affected on Thursday and Friday due to a downpour in Western Maharashtra and Konkan, said the owner of a prominent milk cooperative. Heavy rains for the past three days have resulted in most rivers crossing danger mark levels in Maharashtra's Kolhapur, Sangli and Satara, affecting milk collection by dairies. The Gokul cooperatives has announced it will not be able to supply milk to Mumbai and Pune on Saturday while smaller dairies have also stopped milk collection from the farmers. Vishawas Patil, chairman, Kolhapur Zilla Sahakari Dudh Utpadak Sangh Limited, which owns Gokul, said they have decided not to supply to Mumbai, which is the largest market for the brand. "The [milk] collection has largely been affected on Thursday and Friday due to downpour in Western Maharashtra and Konkan. Against the daily collection of 1.3 million litres, we could collect about 250,000 litres on Friday. It dropped by 76,000 on Thursday," he said and added that "many highways heading to Mumbai are shut as heavy rainfall continued on Friday as well.