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## ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION निदेशालय पशुपालन एवं पशुसेवा विभाग

Directorate of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services

Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the Ri Nov., 2024

To,

- The Chief Editor, The Daily Telegrams Port Blair
- 2. The Manager Govt. Press Port Blair

Sub: Request for Publication of Press release-reg.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that the 21st Livestock Census is started in all the districts of this UT.

In view of the above, you are requested to publish the press note enclosed here with.

Yours faithfully,

Encl:-A/A

Assistant Director (Admn.)

## PRESS NOTE

The 21st Livestock Census has been launched on 25th October 2024 onwards and will be carried out across the country and will be completed by February 2025. This exercise is done at every 05 (five) year interval to ascertain the number of livestock which will help in planning schemes and designing strategies for improvement of Livestock Sector and increasing its contributions to Gross Domestic Product of our country. The features of 21st Livestock census is that for the second time the entire operation is being done digitally. The enumeration work is done through Electronic Gadget (Tablets/Smart Phones) which are loaded with a software which is specifically designed and developed by NDLM wing of Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying, New Delhi.

The objective of Livestock Census is to provide details on livestock population (domestic animals and poultry birds) along with their breed, sex, age and use for 16 species in rural and urban areas. The Livestock Census serves as a critical tool for gathering comprehensive data on the livestock population across India. Its objective are multifaceted aimed at facilitating proper planning, formulation, implementation and monitoring of programs meant to improve livestock sector. The key objectives of the Livestock Census are: Data Collection, Planning and Formulation, Identification of Trends in Livestock sector, Resource allocation and International reporting.

The Livestock Census will be conducted in all the districts of all States & UT across the country covering all households, non-households, enterprises and Institutions of rural as well as urban areas. The census will also be conducted in all Defense establishment, para-military forces and state police establishments. The Sexwise number of stray cattle will also be collected in 21st Livestock Census.

The Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, A & N Administration being the Nodal Agency for this UT. Which covers 549 villages and 24 wards spread over 3 districts of this UT. 53 (fifty-five) enumerators, 08 (Eight) supervisors and 03 (three) District Nodal Officers will work under the direction of Assistant State Nodal Officer & State Nodal Officer to complete the work.

The 21<sup>st</sup> Livestock Census also started in this UT and the final submission would be done by February 2025. All Livestock owners are hereby requested to cooperate with the designated livestock enumerators when they visit the household and provide accurate data as desired.

Director (AH&VS)