SENIOR VETERINARY OFFICERS OF AH&VS DEPARTMENT SENSITIZED ON BMW MANAGEMENT

Sri Vijaya Puram, **July 3**, **2025** – The any waste generated during treatment, diagnosis and immunization of animals, Veterinary Institute is one of the generator of Bio-Animal Waste in A & N Islands and it is compliant with the BMW Rules 2016. During the session programme was arranged for all SVO's of Department of AH&VS.

In a proactive measure to enhance environmental safety and compliance, the Andaman & Nicobar Pollution Control Committee (ANPCC), under the Department of Science & Technology, hosted a comprehensive training session on dated 01.07.2025 for senior veterinary officers across the Islands. The workshop focused on bio-medical waste (BMW) disposal protocols and the mandatory processes for instituting veterinary facilities' registration and authorization in accordance with Bio-Waste Medical and its Management Rule 2016.

The session underscored the necessity of timely application submission to ANPCC at Dollygunj, Sri Vijaya Puram and ANPCC officials explained the procedure for Consent to Operate (CTO), essential for veterinary institutions under environmental regulations. Workshops guided SVOs on fee structures, documentation, and deadlines.

Representative Shri. Raj Babu from ANPCC clarified the environmental safeguards enacted under the BMW Rules 2016. These include maintaining records of waste generation, transportation, treatment, disposal, and mandatory accident notifications in Form III in case of any spill or mishap. The training concluded with participatory discussions, framing a robust roadmap toward full-scale compliance.

ANPCC reaffirmed ongoing support through technical assistance, expert guidance, and follow-up inspections. This initiative marks a significant milestone in aligning Veterinary Services in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands with national environmental mandates. The training equips senior officers with the expertise necessary to improve public health, animal care, and environmental stewardship across the Union Territory.