

ANIMAL HUSBANDARY & VETERINARY SERVICES

The Hon'ble MP said that already he has discussed with the Director and issued a letter on 2002-03 and enquired whether the points raised in the his note is incorporated. The Director of AH & VS has replied in positive.

Scheme No. 3 : The Hon'ble MP advised that Administration should give the Poultry Farms to private parties and it will save huge money. The MP suggested the farm in places like Basantipur, Sitanagar, Port Blair and webi. The Commissioner-cum-Secretary agreed.

Shri. Ebrahim Ali Hussain, Member asked about the outlay for Nicobars.

The Hon'ble MP suggested that the Veterinary Doctors should go to the field and help the farmers and Shri. Ebrahim Ali Hussain also supported the view of the MP. The Hon'ble MP cited the example of the farm run by Shri. Sankar Rao. The Hon'ble MP suggested for 20 units for each Tehsil in Andaman District and 5 units in each islands of the Nicobar District.

The Commissioner-cum-Secretary agreed to hand over the Demonstration Farm at Harmander Bay to the Tribal Cooperative for management, however, the guidance and technical know-how will be provided by the department.

The Secretary (Panch) said that if Demonstration Farms in Andaman District is closed then the staff may be shifted to Nicobars for the enhancement of Goatry, Piggery, Poultry etc.

The Commissioner-cum-Secretary said that (i) further no expansion will be done and only maintenance will be done (ii) like Harmander Bay other farms in Nicobars will also be given to coops. (iii) only repair and maintenance of buildings will be done and no further construction will be taken up (iv) Demonstration farms will be given on lease to Coops/SHG/progressive farmers etc.

The Hon'ble MP said that if it is given on lease it would save salary, medicine, feed, overhead components. Thus, huge money will be saved which can be utilized properly keeping in view the fund crunch.

Shri. Ebrahim Ali Hussain, Member said that the Veterinary Hospitals should not be closed at this stage in Nicobar District because the Nicobaris will require the guidance and expert advise of the departmental personnel.

Shri. Ramdas Das, Member said that Type - III quarter and one VSD at Neil Island have not still started.

Shri. Sanjiv Kumar, Secretary (Panch) said that Dispensaries are to be constructed at Teresa, Chowra etc in order to save the pigs from swine fever because the Nicobaris largely dependent on pigs.

Smti. Kumari Raghavan, Up-Adhyaksh said that such cow disease problem are prevalent in Campbell Bay also and the Doctors provided are inadequate and the distance is very much in between one Veterinary Hospital to another.