



Suggestions of the workshop on cattle breeding policy of the state

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A workshop on breeding policy was conducted under the auspices of Indian Veterinary Association on 21st of April 2001 at Thrissur. Representatives from Department of Animal Husbandry, Kerala Livestock Development Board, MILMA and Kerala Agricultural University attended the meeting.

Indian Veterinary Association approved the following suggestions made by the workshop and submitted to the authorities for speedy implementation.

1. Insemination centres should be re allocated considering the available breeding female population.

2. Genetic abnormalities of the progenies of the bulls recorded by the field Veterinarians of the Animal Husbandry Department should be taken into consid-

eration while selecting the breeding bulls.

3. Milk recording should be done through the ICDP centres.

4. The target of milk production per cow per lactation should be 3000 litres in the first lactation and for

this suitable breeding programmes should be chalked out.

5. AI should be done by the trained personals with training for atleast 11 months period.

6. IVA representative should be nominated in the monitoring committee of the breeding Policy.

7. All breeding operations in a Grama Panchayath area should be reported to the local Veterinary Officer of Animal Husbandry Department.

8. The clause for compensatory culling of female animals should be removed.

9. ICAR sponsored Progeny Testing programme of Kerala Agricultural University should be continued and Animal Husbandry Department should extend all possible help for it.

10. Conservation of indigenous germplasm should be done through approved field units.

11. As part of reproductive management, stationary or mobile infertility clinics should be established to tackle the infertility conditions in cattle.

12. Selection of bulls and release of their semen to the public should be done with the approval of a committee of animal geneticists constituted for the purpose.

13. Infertility camps should be conducted through animal husbandry department.

14. Mobile AI facility should be provided through the veterinary institutions under the supervision of veterinary surgeons.

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