

Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture
Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries

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MEDIA BRIEF

1. As per latest information received, a cumulative mortality of 1,18,068 poultry birds has been reported from West Bengal, of which 1865 birds died on 23.01.2008 in Murshidabad district. This number stood at 1,16,203 till yesterday.
2. On 23.01.2008, 583 Rapid Response Teams (RRTs) were deployed for culling and surveillance operations as per details below:

Districts	Birbhum	Dakshin Dinajpur	Murshidabad	Nadia	Burdwan	Bankura	Total
No. of RRTs	145	9	81	197	131	20	583

Yesterday, 468 RRTs were engaged in operations.

3. Latest position of culling and destruction of eggs & feed carried out till 23.01.2008 is given below:

Districts	Poultry culled (No.)			Eggs destroyed (No.)			Feed destroyed (Kg.)		
	Till 22.01.08	On 23.01.08	Cumulative	Till 22.01.08	On 23.01.08	Cumulative	Till 22.01.08	On 23.01.08	Cumulative
Birbhum	1,81,427	85,664	2,67,091	32,298	13,083	45,381	3229	1968	5197
Dakshin Dinajpur	79,437	-	79,437	66,432	-	66,432	3181	-	3181
Murshidabad	47,983	40,628	88,611	831	1,460	2,291	11	274	285
Nadia	28,853	41,215	70,068	1,102	0	1,102	-	-	-
Burdwan	76,097	78,707	1,54,804	4,495	12,639	17,134	1863	350	2213
Bankura	800	4822	5622	121	719	840	-	3	3
Total	4,14,597	2,51,036	6,65,633	1,05,279	27,901	1,33,180	8284	2595	10,879