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Media Brief

1. There are no further reports from the HSADL, Bhopal of any sample testing positive from any part of the country, including West Bengal.
2. No unusual mortality was reported in West Bengal on 20th February, 2008.
3. The latest report received from West Bengal shows that a total of 123 Rapid Response Teams (RRTs) were engaged (22 for surveillance / mopping and 101 for disinfection and sanitization). No culling is being done from 17.02.2008 onwards. The cumulative culling of poultry birds is 39.05 lakhs.
4. No egg and feed was destroyed on 20.02.2008. The cumulative figures of eggs and feed destroyed are 14,90,785 and 80,033 kg respectively.
5. The task of creating 5 km. poultry depopulated zone in their border areas with West Bengal has been completed in Assam and Bihar. While the culling work has been completed in Jamtara district of Jharkhand, it is in progress in Pakur district of the state.