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Government of India

Ministry of Agriculture

Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

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To

Shri A.K. Sarkar

Principal Secretary

Department of Animal Husbandry,

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Jharkhand

Subject: Availability of adequate number of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and other items of requirement in Jharkhand.

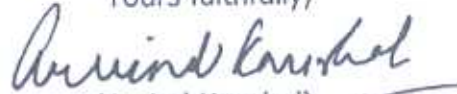
Sir,

As per 'Action Plan' of Animal Husbandry for preparedness, control and containment of Avian Influenza circulated by the Government of India in November 2006, the State Governments should have sufficient stock of PPEs readily and immediately available, both for direct and indirect handlers. In addition, adequate stocks of equipments and drugs for depopulation of poultry, disinfectants, foggers/spray machines, vaccinators/syringes etc. are also required to be maintained.

2. The states should verify the checklist for preparedness, control and containment of Avian Influenza (Appendix III of Action Plan) for sufficient numbers of trained Rapid Response Teams (RRTs) thoroughly familiarized with Action Plan. Funds should be available to pay compensation alongwith system of verifying claims and paying compensation etc.

3. You are requested to review preparedness of your state in regard to the above and take whatever further action is required immediately. Further, you may also ensure intensive surveillance in your state so as to detect any incidence of avian influenza infection at an early stage to facilitate effective control and containment of the virus.

Yours faithfully,



(Arvind Kaushal)

Joint Secretary to the Government of India