



ABSTRACT

Animal Husbandry Department - "Scheme for Free Distribution of Goats/Sheep" - Administrative sanction for a sum of Rs.925 Crores sanctioned - Orders Issued.

Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (AH.2) Department

G.O.(Ms)No.78

Dated: 29.7.2011

Read:-

From the Commissioner of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services Letter No.37387/ P1/2011, dated.6.7.2011.

ORDER:-

The Hon'ble Chief Minister has announced on 9.7.2011 a Scheme for Free distribution of Goats / Sheep to the poorest of the poor in the State, so as to improve their standard of living. The Scheme, to be called as "**Scheme for Free Distribution of Goats / Sheep**" will be launched on September 15th 2011, on the occasion of the Birth Anniversary of Perarignar Anna.

2. It has been decided to distribute 4 Goats / Sheep free of cost to 7 lakh poorest of the poor landless families living in the rural areas over a period of five years.

3. In the letter read above, the Commissioner of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services has sent an action plan for procurement and detailed guidelines for Free Distribution of Goats / Sheep to the poor landless families living in the rural areas over a period of five years at an expenditure of Rs.925 crores which will be incurred as under:-

**TABLE -I EXPENDITURE ON " SCHEME FOR FREE DISTRIBUTION OF GOATS / SHEEP"
(RS. IN CRORES)**

Component	I year	II year	III year	IV year	V Year	Total Cost
Strengthening of farms	5	5	5	-	-	15
Purchase of Goats for 7 lakh families (4 animals per family) {(Rs.12000 per family (@ Rs.2,500 per Goat /Sheep + Rs.500 seed money = Rs.3,000 / animal)}	120	180	180	180	180	840
Insurance cost and transportation cost @ Rs.500/- per family for 7 lakh families	5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	35
Contingencies (Photograph Charges, fuel etc.,)	5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	35
Total Cost	135	200	200	195	195	925

4. The Commissioner of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services has, therefore, requested the Government to issue orders for sanctioning a sum of Rs.925 Crores (Rupees Nine Hundred and Twenty Five Crores only) for procurement and distribution of Goats / Sheep and related expenses of the above said Scheme over a period of five years (2011-2012 to 2015-2016).

5. The Government, after careful consideration of the proposal of the Commissioner of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, have decided to accept the proposal and accord administrative sanction for a sum of Rs.925.00 Crores (Rupees Nine Hundred and Twenty Five Crores only) for procurement of Goats / Sheep, insurance and transportation charges etc. and distribute them to the poorest of the poor rural landless families over a period of five years. Out of the sanctioned amount of Rs.925.00 Crores (Rupees Nine Hundred and Twenty Five Crores only), the Director of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services is permitted to incur an expenditure of Rs.135.00 Crores (Rupees One Hundred and Thirty Five Crores only) for the year 2011-2012 as detailed below:-

**Table-II Scheme cost sanctioned during 2011-2012
(Rs. in Crores)**

Component	Allocation
Strengthening of farms	5
Purchase of Goats / Sheep	120
Insurance and Transportation cost	5
Contingencies (photographic charges, fuel etc.)	5
Total Cost	135

The Guidelines for the implementation of the above Scheme are annexed to this Order.

6. The expenditure sanctioned in para 5 above is an item of "New Service" and the approval of the Legislature will be obtained in due course. Pending approval of the Legislature, the expenditure will be initially met from the Contingency Fund. The Director of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services shall apply for the sanction of Contingency Fund advance to Finance (BG-1) Department, in the prescribed format along with the copy of this order. The Director of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services is also requested to send necessary explanatory notes for including the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates 2011-2012 at the appropriate time.

7. The expenditure sanctioned in para 5 above shall be debited to the following new Head of Account opened under Demand No.06-02: -

Head of account	Amount (Rs. in crores)
"2403-00-Animal Husbandry - 800 Other Expenditure - Schemes in the 11 th Five Year Plan - II State Plan - JH Free Distribution of Sheep/Goats to the persons living Below Poverty Line -09 Grants - in - Aid - 03 Grants for Specific Schemes" (DPC 2403-00-800-JH-0939)	94.50
"2403-00-Animal Husbandry - 789 Special Component Plan for Scheduled Castes - Schemes in the 11 th Five Year Plan - II State Plan - JE Free Distribution of Sheep/Goats to the persons living Below Poverty Line under Special Component Plan - 09 Grants - in - Aid - 03 Grants for Specific Schemes" (DPC 2403-00-789-JE-0931)	39.15
"2403-00-Animal Husbandry - 796 Tribal Area Sub Plan - Schemes in the 11 th Five Year Plan - II State Plan - JD Free Distribution of Sheep/Goats to the persons living Below Poverty Line under Tribal Area Sub Plan -09 Grants - in - Aid - 03 Grants for Specific Schemes" (DPC 2403-00-796-JD-0938)	1.35
Total	135.00

8. The Director of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services is the estimating, reconciling and controlling authority for the new head opened at para 7 above.

9. The Pay and Accounts Officer / Treasury Officer concerned is requested to open the above new head of account in their accounts.

10. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.1546/FS/P/AH&F/2011-1, dated 29.7.2011 with ASL No.343 (Three Hundred and Forty Three).

(By Order of the Governor)

**GAGANDEEP SINGH BEDI,
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Director of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services,
Chennai-600 006.

The Accountant General, Chennai-18 / 18 (By Name)

The Pay and Accounts Officer, (South), Chennai-600 035.

The Secretary to Government, Special Programme Implementation Department,
Chennai -600 009.

All District Collectors.

All District Treasury Officers.

All Regional Joint Directors of Animal Husbandry (through Director of Animal
Husbandry and Veterinary Services)

Copy to:

The Additional Chief Secretary/Secretary-I to
Hon'ble Chief Minister, Chennai-600 009.

The Secretaries to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Chennai-600 009.

The Special Personal Assistant to Minister (Animal Husbandry), Chennai-600 009.

The Finance(AH&F/BG-I/BG-II)Department, Chennai-600 009.
SF/SC.

/ Forwarded by Order/

B. Sarawathi
Section Officer 29/7/11

29/7/11

ANNEXURE

**(Annexure to GO Ms.No.78, Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (AH2)Department,
Dated 29.07.2011)**

SCHEME FOR FREE DISTRIBUTION OF GOATS / SHEEP TO THE POOREST OF THE POOR

Introduction :

1.0 The Government of Tamil Nadu have proposed to launch a "Scheme for free distribution of Goats / Sheep" for the poorest of poor in the rural areas in order to enhance their standard of living.

1.1 As per the provisional figures available under the 18th Livestock Census, there are about 92.74 lakh Goats and 79.90 lakh Sheep in the State. The following varieties of goats are widely available in the State- Salem Black, Kanni Aadu, Kodi Aadu, Non-descriptive goat, Pallaiadu and Molal Aadu. The following types of sheep are available in the State- Meichery, Madras Red, Trichy Black, Ramnad White, Vembur, Nilgiris and Keezha Karisal. Sheep are generally preferred to be reared by the beneficiaries only in large numbers and that too in such Village Panchayats which have got a lot of grazing grounds, since sheep are not fed through stall feeding. Goats can be maintained through stall feeding in the households and are maintained even in such villages where the grazing grounds are not extensively available. Goats are generally preferred by poor households since it is possible to rear Goats even in a few numbers. Hence, the people owning Goats are larger in number, whereas, the Sheep owners are lesser in number. The rearing of goats is, however, prohibited in some of the Village Panchayats which are bordering the forest area in order to protect young trees from the browsing of goats.

2. Implementation of the Scheme :

2.1 The Goats / Sheep can be procured within the State and also from outside the State. However, the procurement of Goats / Sheep in larger numbers from the other States is not preferable since this category of animals (also called 'small ruminants' in veterinary terminology) are fragile or prone to diseases when transported enmasse from long distances and different climatic zones. Hence, unlike the Scheme for procurement of free Milch Cows wherein cows only from other States are proposed to be procured, it has been decided to procure Goats/Sheep predominantly from the local market shandies available within the State in the proximity of the beneficiaries. If, good quality animals are brought and supplied by the breeders in the Village itself, the supply of Goats/Sheep through such breeders will be permitted.

It is presumed that about 6 - 7 lakh Goats/ Sheep can be procured from the shandies within the State or from the neighbouring State shandies without causing shortage of availability of Goats/Sheep for meat purpose and without causing impact on the price of Goats/Sheep in the area.

2.3. In view of the availability of about 6 - 7 lakh Goats/Sheep in a year, the number of families to be assisted in each year will be 1.5 lakh and in the current year, approximately one lakh families can be assisted since the first quarter of the year is already over. The Grama Sabhas will be utilized to identify the poorest of the poor beneficiaries within each Village.

3. Eligibility Norms:

The beneficiaries will be the **poorest of the poor families living in Village Panchayats (rural areas) who are identified by the**

Village Level Committee as per the norms and whose name is approved by the Grama Sabha as the poorest of the poor in the village.

3.1. The free Goats/Sheep will be distributed at the rate of 4 Goats/Sheep per household. In order to empower the women, it has been decided that the **actual beneficiary will be the Woman of the household.** *In case there are any transgenders residing in the Village Panchayat, who are otherwise eligible as per the criteria given below, they will also be considered to be eligible for the Scheme.*

The beneficiaries under this Scheme should satisfy the following eligibility criteria :

- Must be the Landless Agricultural Labourers.
- Should be a permanent resident of the Village Panchayat.
- The beneficiary household should have at least one member between the age of 18 and 60 to effectively rear the Goats/sheep.
- Should not own any Cow/Goat/Sheep at present.
- Should not be an employee of Central / State Government or any Organisation/cooperative or member of any Local Body (nor should their spouse or father/mother/ parents-in-law/son/daughter/ son-in-law/ daughter-in-law be so).
- Should not have benefited from the free Milch Cows Distribution Scheme of the Government.

3.2 Atleast 30% beneficiaries from the Village Panchayat should necessarily belong to SC / ST (SC: 29% and ST: 1%) community.

4. Process of selection of the beneficiaries:

4.1 The target number of beneficiaries for each District will be decided by the Commissioner of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services

(CAH&VS) based on the strength of the rural population of the District. The Village Panchayat as well as the Block target within the District will be also based on the proportionate rural population.

- 4.2 Within each District, the Village Panchayats will be selected in such a manner that approximately one-fifth of the beneficiaries will be covered in each Block in a year and the beneficiaries of a particular Village Panchayat will be fully covered within the year itself. The Commissioner of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services will worked out the detailed Action Plan in this regard and convey to the District Collectors for implementation. In case of difficulties in implementation of the Scheme in some of the Village Panchayats having urbanised characters, the District Collector will, in consultation with the Commissioner of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, reallocate the surplus target to other deserving Village Panchayats.
- 4.3 In the District, **the District Collector will be the overall in-charge of the process of identification of beneficiaries.** The Regional Joint Director (Animal Husbandry) [RJAD], Project Officer (Mahalir Thittam) and Asst. Director (Panchayats) will assist him in this regard. The District Collector will form a **Village Level Committee** consisting of (i) Village Panchayat President, (ii) Vice-President, (iii) the Senior most Ward member (by age) representing SC/ST Community, (iv) the Panchayat Level Federation (PLF) coordinator (v) an active SHG representative (vi) the Veterinary Assistant Surgeon (VAS) of the area and (vi) the Dy. BDO (ADW) to identify and shortlist the list of beneficiaries as per the norms specified. *The District Collector should also ensure that necessary support is rendered to the Committee by the **Village Panchayat Assistant** concerned.* The purpose of adding the VAS

and Deputy BDO (ADW) is to ensure that the shortlisted beneficiaries are conforming to the prescribed norms.

- 4.4 After constituting the Village Level Committee for the selected Village Panchayats concerned, the District Collector should arrange to convene a meeting of all the members concerned and in that meeting, the details of the Scheme and the eligibility conditions are to be explained in detail. The District Collector should himself convene this meeting in one or more sessions in order to convey the details and the seriousness of the selection process.
- 4.5 The District Collector should, thereafter, fix a Special Meeting of the Gram Sabha in the Village Panchayat concerned to inform the details of the Scheme to the villagers. The Veterinary Assistant Surgeon and Deputy Block Development Officer (ADW) will explain the salient features of the Scheme and the eligibility details of the beneficiaries in the meeting. Applications for the free Goats/Sheep will be sought for in this Special Gram Sabha Meeting from the interested beneficiaries.
- 4.6 A period of one week will also be given for further receipt of Applications. The Applications can be given to any of the Village Level Committee members or directly to the Village Panchayat. Thereafter, the Veterinary Assistant Surgeon and Deputy Block Development Officer (ADW) will arrange a meeting of the Village Level Committee in the office of the Village Panchayat to scrutinize and list out the names of all the eligible beneficiaries for the Scheme.
- 4.7 The list prepared should also be got verified by the Veterinary Assistant Surgeon and Deputy Block Development Officer (ADW) with the **Village Administrative Officer** concerned, to confirm the 'landless' status of the proposed beneficiaries and the community

details. (No Certificate is however to be insisted upon, and the scrutiny of the Village Level Committee and subsequently the Grama Sabha will be considered to be final). Only after ensuring the eligibility of the proposed beneficiaries, the list will be approved by the Village Level Committee.

4.8 The finalized list should be placed before the Grama Sabha for approval. The Gram Sabha should again ensure that 30% of the beneficiaries belong to SC/ST (**SC: 29% and ST: 1%**) Communities.

4.9 The District Collector should also arrange to send the Veterinary Assistant Surgeon / Deputy Block Development Officer (ADW) or another official of the rank of Deputy Block Development Officer (in case the Deputy Block Development Officer (ADW) is unable to attend) to participate in the Gram Sabha meeting and facilitate the discussion and finalization of the beneficiaries list.

4.10 The list finalized by Grama Sabha will be displayed in the Village Panchayat Notice Board and other prominent places in the Village Panchayat.

5. Procurement schedule:-

Procurement of Goats and sheep will be scheduled as under:

During 2011-12	For 1.00 lakh families
2012-13	For 1.5 lakh families
2013-14	For 1.5 lakh families
2014-15	For 1.5 lakh families
2015-16	For 1.5 lakh families

- A District level, Block level and Panchayat level, Action Plan is to be prepared by the Commissioner of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary

Services in such a way as to implement the programme within five years' time as per the above schedule.

6. DISTRIBUTION OF ANIMALS:

- While distributing Goats/Sheep to the beneficiaries, the following criteria should be followed: **Out of 4 Goats/Sheep to be given to each beneficiary, one should ordinary be male and three should be females. All the Goats/Sheep should be about six months of age.**
- *In case, there are a group of 5 to 7 beneficiaries in a Village, who want to rear their Goats/Sheep together, all but one of them can be permitted to purchase only female Goats/Sheep and only one of them may purchase a male Goat/Sheep.*
- The Goats/Sheep should be purchased from the Government livestock Farm on priority, if they are available for sale.
- Goats/Sheep from neighboring States/districts are permitted to be purchased, provided they are of good quality breed.
- All Goats/Sheep procured and distributed under the Scheme should bear a unique Identification Tag in the left ear. No Goat/Sheep, which has already got a tag or hole on any of the ears, should be purchased under the Scheme.

7. Procurement Procedure:

It is proposed to procure Goats/Sheep through the following ways:-

- (i) Supply from the Departmental Farms :- There are 7 Farms in the State belonging to the Animal Husbandry Department and another 6 farms belonging to Tamil Nadu Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (TANUVAS) which rear Goats and Sheep of good genetic merit. At present there are about 3,000 Goats / Sheep in such farms. It is proposed to procure breeding stock of superior genetic

traits from the various sources and use them for reproduction. The off-springs from these can be given to the beneficiaries after a period of two years (from the year 2013-14 onwards). It is also proposed to construct new sheds in order to house the animals procured and augment the drinking water potential in such farms.

It is proposed to strengthen the above farms at a cost of approximately Rs. 15 crores across 3 years period. The Commissioner of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services and Vice Chancellor, TANUVAS are to draw a detailed Action Plan to strengthen the infrastructure, fodder availability and animal strength in the State / University Farms and seek approval of the Government.

(ii) **Procurement of animals from the Neighbouring States :** The beneficiaries in the Districts of Kancheepuram, Thiruvallur, Vellore, Thiruvannamalai, Dharmapuri, Krishnagiri, Coimbatore, Erode, Nilgiris, Theni, Tirunelveli and Kanniyakumari will have a choice of procuring the animals from the shandies of the neighbouring districts belonging to other States.

(iii) **Procurement of animals from neighbouring shandies and breeders:**

In most of the cases, the beneficiaries have to procure the Goats/Sheep from the open market shandies. There are 263 livestock markets in the State. In most of these shandies, all species of livestock are traded. The number of shandies ranges from one in Tiruvallur District to 25 in Villupuram District. Most of these shandies are weekly shandies. These shandies will be the source for procuring the Goats/Sheep. In addition to these Shandies, there are a number of Goat/Sheep breeders who breed good quality animals adopting scientific methods. The

Regional Joint Directors of Animal Husbandry concerned should tie up with such breeders so that the beneficiaries have the opportunity to get good quality animals which are brought by the breeders even to the Village, if possible. **Thus, the beneficiaries will have the choice to procure the animals either from the shandies or from the breeders breeding good quality Goats/Sheep.**

Since the option to get Goats/Sheep from the farms may not yield enough numbers, it is proposed to procure animals **from the livestock Shandies/ breeders.** The **Spot Purchase procedure** through a Procurement Committee consisting of the beneficiary herself, the Veterinary Assistant Surgeon (VAS) concerned and headed by an Assistant Director of Animal Husbandry [ADAH] will be adopted to purchase the Goats/Sheep from the shandies outside Tamil Nadu. The Spot Purchase system will be followed with a view to fully involve the beneficiaries in (a) the choice of procurement of the Goats/Sheep and (b) negotiation of the price of the Goats/Sheep, and (c) to avoid complaints of higher prices or poor quality of animals at a later stage. Infact, under the Spot Purchase system, a fixed price is earmarked for the purchase of each Goat/Sheep (as explained below) and hence, there will negate chances for any future complaints by the beneficiaries in this procedure.

It is proposed to purchase Goats/Sheep through Spot Purchase system every year in the first three years, and in the subsequent years when the animals are also got from State/University Farms, the number of Goats/Sheep procured through the Spot Purchase System will be accordingly reduced.

8. Beneficiary involved procurement procedure:-

The procurement of Goats/Sheep will be as per the procedure given below:-

- 8.1 The Commissioner of Animal Husbandry will allocate funds to the Regional Joint Directors of Animal Husbandry based on the number of animals to be distributed in the District concerned. Funds will also be allocated for the administrative expenditure to be incurred for the implementation of the Scheme.
- 8.2 The Regional Joint Directors of Animal Husbandry will re-allot the amount to the concerned Assistant Directors of Animal Husbandry [ADAH], who will open a Nodal Account for the receipt of funds in a Nationalized Bank.
- 8.3 The Assistant Director of Animal Husbandry concerned will open a separate Bank Account in the same Bank for each Village Panchayat for which Goats/Sheep have to be procured during the year. (This Account should be different from the Account of free Milch Cows Scheme in case that Scheme is also under implementation in the Village Panchayat). This Account should be jointly in the name of the Assistant Director of Animal Husbandry and the concerned Veterinary Assistant Surgeon under whose jurisdiction the Village Panchayat is located. The Assistant Director of Animal Husbandry will transfer the amount for procurement of animals, insurance cost, transportation cost and photographic charges to this Account from the Nodal Account. The amount required for fuel cost and other administrative expenses will be retained in the Nodal Account.
- 8.4 The Asst. Director of Animal Husbandry concerned should, alongwith the VAS concerned, select a list of possible neighbouring shandies and choose convenient date(s) to take the beneficiaries to these shandies to procure the animals.
- 8.5 The Asst. Director of Animal Husbandry should also, with the assistance of the VAS, Dy. BDO(ADW) and the Village Panchayat President concerned facilitate in the formation of a **Beneficiary Committee** of the beneficiaries, which should have a minimum of

three members who are democratically elected from amongst the beneficiaries. This Beneficiary Committee will coordinate with the officials for the procurement of the Goats/Sheep, and the subsequent post-purchase care of the animals.

8.6 If the beneficiary is not willing or not in a position to travel to the neighbouring shandy, she shall nominate an adult family member (who should be a resident of the Village Panchayat), or another resident of that very Village Panchayat to undertake purchase of the Goats/Sheep on her behalf. The person nominated can also be another beneficiary itself.

8.7 The beneficiary, or her representative, will go along with VAS concerned and the Asst. Director of Animal Husbandry to personally identify the Goats/Sheep (of around 6 months of age) in the shandy.

8.8 The beneficiaries (or their representatives) will select Goats/Sheep as per the stipulation and themselves fix the price with seller through negotiations.

8.9 After the beneficiaries select the Goats/Sheep for the purchase, the ADAH and VAS concerned will examine the Goats/Sheep to ensure their good health and the conformity to the norms.

8.10 The **Insurance tie up** for the animals will be done by the VAS concerned at the procurement spot itself as it will cover any eventualities during transportation also. The Commissioner of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services should take necessary steps to have a tie up with Nationalised Insurance Companies as per the norms. Necessary tagging of the Goats/Sheep should be done with a unique Code Number in the left ear. The possibility of installing the electronic micro-chip in the left scapular region of the animal as the latest fool-proof identification methodology should also be explored by the CAH&VS in due course.

- 8.11 **A photograph** will be arranged by the ADAH/VAS to be taken on the spot of purchase showing the 4 Goats/Sheep purchased, the Beneficiary (or her representative), members of the Beneficiary Committee, VAS and the Seller. The Identification Tags bearing the unique number have to be prominently seen in the Photograph.
- 8.12 **A Suitable Undertaking should be got from the beneficiary that she will not sell the Goats/Sheep distributed by the Government for a minimum period of 2 years.** This Undertaking should also be countersigned by the members of the Beneficiary Committee, who should ensure that the undertaking is followed in letter and spirit by the beneficiaries.
- 8.13 After completion of these formalities, the Assistant Director of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Assistant Surgeon will ensure payment to the seller through cheque / cash in the presence of the beneficiary. **The detailed address of the Seller must be got by the ADAH and VAS and documented to ensure future verification, if needed.** The Commissioner of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services should also ensure necessary tie-up with the banks concerned so as to facilitate drawl of cash in the neighbouring shandy for the payment of money to the sellers of Goats/Sheep.
- 8.14 The price of a Goat/Sheep of about 6 months of age is currently ranging from Rs. 2,000-2,500 per animal. When the beneficiary procures the Goats/Sheep, she will also need money initially to buy the put up a shed, as well as procure the nutrients for maintenance of the animals. **Hence, it has been decided to earmark lumpsum amount of Rs. 2,500 for a Goat/Sheep and another Rs. 5,00 as the seed money for construction of shed/ procurement of nutrients per animal- thus totaling to Rs. 3,000 per Goat/Sheep.** Even if the beneficiaries procure the animals for amount of less than Rs. 2,500, the Assistant Director of

Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Assistant Surgeon will pay the actual amount to the seller and the balance amount to the beneficiary (Rs. 2,500 minus the amount paid to the seller + Rs. 500 seed money per animal) as cheque after the animals are brought to the Village. *In case, the cost of the each Goat/Sheep is more than Rs. 2,500, the beneficiary will bear the amount over and above Rs. 2,500.* **This system of earmarking a fixed amount for each Goat/Sheep will negate any future complaints of manipulation of pricing in individual cases, and ensure transparency in the entire procurement process.**

- 8.15 The Assistant Director of Animal Husbandry, the Veterinary Assistant Surgeon and the Beneficiary Committee have to ensure that the beneficiaries make arrangements for the joint transportation of the Goats/Sheep to their Village through a safe and secured manner. A lumpsum amount of **Rs. 150 per beneficiary** will be paid for the transportation of 4 Goats/Sheep to the Village. The amount will be given as cheque after the confirmatory visit by the ADAH/VAS concerned to the Village for the physical verification of the animals, which should be done immediately and without any delay. This amount will also be eligible for the cases where the breeders of Goats/Sheep make the Village level delivery of animals since the breeders are also likely to charge the transportation from the beneficiaries in that case.
- 8.16 Transportation of animals must comply with the provisions of "Transportation of Animals Rules, 1978" under the "Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960."
- 8.17 After the Goats/Sheep are brought to the Village, **the photograph** of the Goats/Sheep bearing the same Tag number as in the shandy during purchase, should be taken along with the beneficiary, members of Beneficiary Committee and the VAS **before her house in the Village**. After this, the ADAH and VAS will give

(i) the seed money of Rs 500 per animal and balance of the cost of the animals (out of total earmarked amount of Rs. 2,500 per animal, if any) and (ii) the transportation cost- in the form of a cheque.

9. Post - purchase follow up by the Department:

- 9.1 The VAS concerned will give health cards to the beneficiaries and will make atleast one visit in a month in order to ensure that the Goats/Sheep is given proper vaccine, deworming and other Veterinary Services as required. The Livestock Inspectors will assist with the VAS in this regard.
- 9.2. Necessary technical guidance and follow up should be given to the beneficiaries and also proper measures taken to ensure that all the Goats/Sheep procured conceive as early as possible.
10. The Secretary to Government, AH,D&F Department may, in consultation with Commissioner/Director of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, change any of the above guidelines based on the exigencies that will arise then & there.

GAGANDEEP SINGH BEDI,
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

/True Copy/

B. Saravjit
Section Officer 29/7/20
ABMB
29.7.11