

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
ABSTRACT

Animal Husbandry Department – Breeding Policy – Report of the Committee to Evaluate and Formulate Livestock Breeding Programme and Policies in the State of Kerala Approved – Orders issued.

AGRICULTURE (AHG) DEPARTMENT

G.O. MS. No 320/94/AD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram 30-9-1994

Read (1) G.O. RT. No. 500/88 AD dated 30-3-1988

(2) Letter dated 18-6-1993 from Dr. G. Mukundan, Kerala Agricultural University, Thrissur.

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Milk Production in Kerala, increased phenomenally from 2.21 lakh M.Ts. in 1963-64 to 10 lakh M.Ts. in 1993-94. This has been achieved substantially through the supply route (ie.production) as evidenced by the fact that within a period of about 25 years, the State has been able to transform nearly 60% of the cattle population to cross-breeds. This is indicative of the emphasis on the genetic improvement route to increased milk production in Kerala, which has traditionally been considered unsuitable for dairying.

2. In line with the above emphasis Government vide G.O cited first constituted a committee for evaluation of the livestock breeding programmes and formulation and modification of the breeding policies based on research findings experiences etc. The Committee had the following members.

- 1) Dr. G. Mukundan, Director, Centre for Advanced studies in Animal Genetics and Breeding, Kerala Agricultural University (Convenor)
- 2) Director of Animal husbandry, Government of Kerala
- 3) Dr. T.K. Jose Senior Executive (Later M.D) of the Kerala Livestock Development Board.
- 4) Dr. P.G. Nair, Retired Director, National Bureau of Animal Genetic Resources National Institute of Animal Genetics Karnal
- 5) Dr. Sosamma Iype, Professor Department of Animal Breeding and Genetics, Kerala Agrl. University

3. The Committee after detailed study of all aspects of the Livestock Breeding Programmes and Policies and after having held discussions with all the concerned agencies including dairy farmers and Government Departments submitted its final report in 1992.

4. The summary of the recommendations of the Committee indicating the agencies who now have to initiate action on each is enclosed as Appendix I. The rationale for the recommendations is enclosed as Appendix. II

5. The report of the Committee has been discussed by the Government with the members of the Committee, eminent persons in the field and the various implementing agencies. Government are pleased to accept the recommendations of the Committee.

6. The agencies indicated in Appendix I will initiate action on each point and obtain formal order/approval of the Government wherever such order is necessary.

7. To motor the progress of the implementation of the recommendations Government are pleased to constitute the following Standing Committee.

- i) Secretary (AH&DD) - Chairman
- ii) Director of Animal Husbandry
- iii) Director of Dairy Development
- iv) The Managing Director, Kerala Livestock Development Board
- v) Director Centre for Advanced Studies in Animal Genetics and Breeding, Kerala Agricultural University
- vi) The Managing Director, Kerala Co-operative Milk Marketing Federation Limited
- vii) Representative of National Dairy Development Board.

BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR
K. JOSE CYRIAC
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT