

PRESS RELEASE

On 13-02-2008, the Government of West Bengal in the Animal Resources Development Department has not declared any further area to be an eradication area.

A) ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED FOR CULLING OPERATION AS On 13-02-2008

Sl. No.	Activities	DISTRICTS														TOTAL
		Birbhum	Dakshin Dinajpur	Nadia	North 24 Pgs	Murshidabad	Burdwan	Cooch-behar	Malda + Uttar Dinajpur	Howrah	Bankura	Hooghly	Purulia	South 24 Pgs	Pasch. Med. + Purba Med.	
1)	Deployment of RRT on 13-02-08															
	a) For Culling	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	b) For surveillance/ Mopping	111	1	-	-	19	8	-	4	-	-	2	-	-	2	147
	c) Disinfection & Sanitation	53	-	20	8	20	-	-	3	-	2	2	4	26	-	138
	TOTAL RRT deployed on 13-02-08	164	1	20	8	39	8	-	7	-	2	4	4	26	2	285
2)	Tentative culling Target of birds	1,250,000	80,000	377,000	202,000	712,691	169,540	83,523	105,000	167,000	11,000	357,000	35,500	202,000	104,000	3,856,254
3)	Culling of birds															
	a) Upto 12-02-2008	1,264,180	79,940	376,101	201,730	656,889	169,037	83,523	104,699	166,942	10,876	356,789	35,942	204,159	103,718	3,814,525
	b) On 13-02-2008	27,979	-	-	-	5,135	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33,114
	Progressive Total of Birds Culled	1,292,159	79,940	376,101	201,730	662,024	169,037	83,523	104,699	166,942	10,876	356,789	35,942	204,159	103,718	3,847,639
3)	No. of eggs destroyed															
	a) Upto 12-02-2008	158,929	67,988	30,612	-	7,719	17,134	9,969	16,802	1,012	1,338	1,111,856	4,261	2,532	59,826	1489978
	b) On 13-02-2008	508	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	508
	Progressive Total of eggs destroyed	159,437	67,988	30,612	-	7,719	17,134	9,969	16,802	1,012	1,338	1,111,856	4,261	2,532	59,826	1,490,486
4)	Quality of Feed Destroyed (Kg.)															
	a) Upto 12-02-2008	24,029.50	3,181.00	14,500.00	13,413.00	646.50	2,212.50	95.00	216.00	19,042.50	54.00	1,976.00	-	57.00	610.00	80,033.00
	b) On 13-02-2008	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Progressive Quantity of Feed destroyed (kg)	24,029.50	3,181.00	14,500.00	13,413.00	646.50	2,212.50	95.00	216.00	19,042.50	54.00	1,976.00	-	57.00	610.00	80,033.00

E) COLLECTION AND DISPATCH OF SAMPLES AS On 13-02-2008

B) No unusual mortality was reported from the districts On 13-02-2008.

However in Jalpaiguri district, out of 2040 birds of a broiler firm, approx. 800 birds died due to starvation, suffocation, bad litter and temperature management from 9th to 12th Feb. 2008. On 13 th February mortality reduced as low as 31 soon after the corrective measures are taken. Sample received by RDDDL, Kolkata on 13.02.08 evening. No ailment and mortality is noticed from the adjoining poultry farm situated within 20 feet distance.

Sl. No.	Items	Upto 12-02-08	On 13-02-08	Progre-ssive Total
1)	Dead birds	126	-	126
2)	Serum / Blood Sample	826	-	826
3)	Cloacal /Trachial Swab	411	-	411
4)	Post Mortem materials	8	-	8
5)	Faecal Sample	9	-	9
TOTAL (C)		1,380	-	1,380

HUMAN SURVEILLANCE ON 14.2.08

(Based on reports on 13.2.08)

Since 15.1.08, GOI notified 48 blocks and five municipalities of 14 districts of the state as affected by Bird Flu outbreak. Last notification was done on 2.2.08. Since then, no new area has been notified. Small areas of two non-notified districts have been brought under surveillance as being adjacent to notified blocks of other districts.

On date, a total of 10.9 lakh people have been surveyed for fever and upper respiratory infection. Out of which 878 cases (0.08%) of fever have been identified. A total of 30 biological samples have been tested for Influenza A H5N1. All the samples tested negative. Till date, no suspected case of human Avian Influenza has been detected.

On date, 2554 health personnel engaged in community fever surveillance and 2471 cullers and ARD staff/volunteer engaged in culling, mopping and disinfection have been medically examined. Cullers and ARD staff have been given prophylactic Tamiflu.

Central and State Rapid Response Teams, senior State health officers and faculty members of the medical colleges are engaged in surveillance activities at all the affected districts.

Isolation/observation wards have been set up and equipped with ventilators, pulse oxymeters and other necessities at all identified facilities of the affected districts. Till date, 17 patients under investigation have been admitted in those facilities, out of which 16 have already been discharged. Department has ensured adequate supply of drugs, PPE, three layered masks, caps, aprons and other logistics to combat any eventuality.

Adequate IEC materials have been prepared and used by the State and districts for dissemination of relevant messages to the community. These include leaflets, posters, handbills, audio message, audio-visual clippings, short film, and public message in different languages through advertisements in leading dailies. All the IEC materials, guidelines, forms and protocols and important documents related to Avian Influenza have been made available to the community at the website: www.wbhealth.gov.in.

Daily coordination meetings are being held at the state and district headquarters.