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PARTIAL LIFTING OF MOVEMENT RESTRICTIONS FOR ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS IN THE ZAMBEZI REGION

The Directorate of Veterinary Services in the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform would like to inform farmers and the General Public about the partial lifting of restrictions on movement of cloven-hoofed animals and animal products in the region which were imposed after detecting FMD outbreak in cattle on 13 October 2022 in 3 kraals.

First round of cattle vaccination against FMD have so far been completed in crush pen areas that are within the 30km radius from Mbalasinte and Kasika of Zambezi region with 48458 out of 52480 cattle vaccinated with SAT trivalent vaccine representing vaccination coverage of 93,3%.

Since the infection is still in the eastern part of the region in Kabbe South Constituency, the **infected area** are the kraals in Mbalansite and Kasika villages, while the new **Disease Management Area (DMA)** is therefore Kabbe South constituency which includes the following crushpens:

Kabulabula, Kasika, Makoma, Nkoza, Mafube, Nzobwe, Old Lusese, Mutwalwizi 1, 2 and 3, Sigwe, Nyange, Mbasi, Masikili, Ihaha, Namiyundu, Nangwena, Simakuni, Nankuntwe,

Musekezi, Natungu, Nsundwa, Silubaba, Ntelemba, Limai, Mundial, Jojo, Ikota, Mudokom, Simasiku, Muzii, Ivilivinzi, Itomba, Kazuka and Luhonono.

a) The following control measures are still in place:

1. Movement restrictions of all cloven hoofed animals and animal products from the DMA to the rest of the region.
2. A number of patrol teams are strategically placed and members of the public are urged to cooperate with the Veterinary and Police Officials fully.
3. Re-vaccination of all cattle in the region will continue and ALL farmers are strongly urged to bring their cattle for vaccination to the designated crushpens as per announcement by DVS officials.

b) The following are allowed:

1. Movement of all cloven-hoofed animals among crush pens in Kabbe South Constituency in the DMA is allowed but not to the rest of the region,
2. Slaughtering of fully vaccinated cloven-hoofed animals for own consumption within the DMA.
3. Slaughtering of cloven hoofed animals and fully vaccinated cattle from outside the DMA at open markets, local and export abattoirs provided they are issued with movement permits after establishing their vaccination status at DVS offices,
4. Quarantining of fully vaccinated cattle originating outside the DMA into Kopano quarantine,
5. Movement of meat from the export abattoir which complied with CBT is allowed
6. Movement of fully vaccinated cattle from the rest of the region into the DMA,
7. Movement of cloven- hoofed animals from other regions into Zambezi region.
8. In transit of animals in sealed trucks from other regions.
9. Movement of other commodities such as hides, skins, game trophies, plant materials in, out, within and through the rest of the Zambezi region (in exception of the DMA), provided that appropriate procedures have been followed.
10. Movement of products such as raw meat, raw milk and livestock feed are allowed into the entire region.

FMD clinical signs include: Salivation, not grazing, limping, reluctance to move, fever, blisters and ulcers on the tongue, gum and on the feet/hooves.

Farmers and the General public are hereby once again requested to report to the relevant authorities any suspicious cases of FMD as well as suspected illegal movement of animals and their products as prohibited in this public notification.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform would like to thank the farmers, the General Public and the Namibian Police for their cooperation and support during this outbreak.



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