

Government of Jammu and Kashmir  
Animal/Sheep Husbandry & Fisheries Department  
Civil Secretariat, Jammu

**Subject: Notification of Avian influenza (H5N8) outbreak in domestic geese at village Sadarkoot Payeen, Block Hajin, District Bandipore.**

**NOTIFICATION**  
the 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2021

As reported by the *National Institute of High Security Animal Disease Laboratory, Bhopal, vide letter No 15-100/2008-NISHAD, dated 20.02.2021*, sample of domestic geese from Khar Mohlla hamlet of village Sadarkoot Payeen, Block Hajin, District Bandipore has been found positive for Avian Influenza (H5N8) strain.

Therefore, in exercise of the powers vested under the provisions of the Prevention and Control of Infectious and Contagious Diseases in Animals Act, 2009 and instructions conveyed in Revised Action Plan for Prevention, Control & Containment of Avian Influenza- 2021, the outbreak of Avian Influenza (H5N8) disease is declared in Khar Mohlla hamlet of village Sadarkoot Payeen, Block Hajin, District Bandipore.

The outbreak of Avian Influenza disease in village Sadarkoot Payeen, Block Hajin of District Bandipore is notified for all concerned in the Government of UT of J&K as well as concerned private and public agencies along with necessary guidelines and instructions.

The District Administration, Bandipore shall implement all contingency procedures at once for containment and control of bird flu in the area in collaboration with all concerned Departments.

Deputy Commissioner Bandipore shall notify the names of all villages and habitations within a radius of 0-1 KM from the epicenter of infection and designate it as "Infected Zone" and rest of the area 1 to 10 KM radius shall be designated as "Surveillance Zone".

Animal Husbandry Department, Kashmir shall conduct intense surveillance of Infected and Surveillance Zone. Culling operation shall be immediately started after directions from Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Gov. Director Animal Husbandry Department Kashmir and Deputy Commissioner Bandipore shall strictly follow all the instructions as contained in "Revised Action Plan for Prevention, Control & Containment of Avian Influenza-



2021" especially the instructions as mentioned in Chapter 3 of the Action Plan including declaration of infected and surveillance zones, Quick Start Coordination Process, establishment of Control Room, establishment of Rapid Response Teams (RRT's), availability of PPE's/ chemicals /disinfectants, safety of personal engaged in control operation, destruction of poultry birds in infected zone, disposal of dead birds, imposition of legislative measures along with necessary measures laid down in the contingency plan (2005) of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI (Revised Action Plan for Prevention, Control & Containment of Avian Influenza- 2021is enclosed for reference).


Sd/-  
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1. Financial Commissioner, Health and Medical Education Department.
2. Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, J&K.
3. Joint Secretary, (J&K), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.
4. Joint Secretary, (LH), Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Gol.
5. Divisional Commissioner, Jammu/Kashmir.
6. Secretary to Government, Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Department.
7. Director information Department, J&K.
8. Deputy Commissioner, Bandipore for immediate necessary action.
9. Director Animal Husbandry, Kashmir for immediate necessary action.
10. Director Animal Husbandry Jammu for information.
11. Chief Wild Life Warden Jammu/Kashmir for information.
12. Private Secretary to Advisor (B) to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, J&K for information of the Advisor (B).
13. Private Secretary to Chief Secretary for information of the Chief Secretary, J&K.
14. Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Government, Animal/Sheep Husbandry & Fisheries Department for information of Principal Secretary.

  
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