

**GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR  
DIRECTORATE OF VETY. & A.H. SERVICES**

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**PRESS RELEASE**

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**No. 1/NADCP/FMD-CP/2022-Vety (Pt I):** The Department of Veterinary & Animal Husbandry, Manipur has been implementing **Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD) vaccination programme** under National Animal Disease Control Program (NADCP), a Centrally sponsored scheme with an aim to **control FMD by 2025** and **eradicate it by 2030** through 100% vaccination of all the eligible animal populations in the State.

FMD is a highly contagious viral disease affecting cloven-hoofed animals such as cattle, buffalo, sheep, goats and pigs. It is characterized by fever and the formation of blisters in the mouth, on the feet and around the hooves, leading to severe loss in productivity, including reduced milk yield and growth rates. It causes significant economic losses to farmers due to decreased livestock performance and trade restrictions.

To achieve this, the Department conducts free mass vaccination campaigns to strengthen herd immunity and effectively reduce the spread of the disease. The **7<sup>th</sup> Round FMD vaccination** in the State is scheduled to commence from **1<sup>st</sup> May, 2026 (Friday)**, strictly adhering to the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) issued by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India. Therefore, livestock farmers are requested to make the most of this initiative by ensuring timely vaccination of their animals, thereby contributing towards the goal of making the State free from FMD.

  
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