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National Animal Disease Control Programme & National Artificial Insemination Programme

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Recently, the Prime Minister launched the **National Animal Disease Control Programme (NADCP)**, to control and eradicate the Foot & Mouth Disease (**FMD**) and **Brucellosis** amongst the livestock in the country, at **Mathura**.

Key Highlights

- **National Animal Disease Control Programme (NADCP)**
 - The following are the **aims** of NADCP programme:
 - To vaccinate over **600 million cattle** in the country in an effort to mitigate the two diseases namely, **the Foot & Mouth Disease, & brucellosis**.
 - The programme also aims at vaccinating **36 million female bovine calves** annually in its fight against the **brucellosis** disease.
 - To **control** the livestock diseases by 2025, and **eradicate** them by 2030.
 - The livestock that will be covered under the programme includes cattle, buffalo, sheep, goats, and pigs against the **FMD**.
 - The project will be **fully funded** by the Central Government.
- The Prime Minister also launched the **National Artificial Insemination Programme** and a country-wide **workshop** in all the **Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs)** throughout the 687 districts of the country on '*vaccination and disease management, Artificial Insemination and Productivity*'.
- The launch of '**Swachhta Hi Seva**' programme on reducing the usage of **single-use plastics** in the country was one of the key highlights of the event.

Way Forward

- Animal Husbandry and other allied activities have a greater role to play in increasing the farmers' income. Investments in Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, bee-keeping, inter alia will bring **more returns to the farmers**.

- In the last **five years**, India has followed a new approach to farming and allied activities. Innovation and new technology is the need of the hour, to expand the **Dairy Sector** in India. The launch of the “**Start-up Brand Challenge**” to appreciate innovations coming from the villages is a welcome step in this regard.

National Artificial Insemination Programme

- Artificial insemination is a novel method of bringing about **impregnation** in female breeds.
- It prevents the spread of certain diseases which are genital in nature, thereby enhancing the efficiency of the breed.

Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs)

- KVK is an integral part of the **National Agricultural Research System (NARS)**, which aims at the assessment of location-specific technology modules in agriculture and allied enterprises, through technology assessment, refinement, and demonstrations.
- KVKs have been functioning as **Knowledge and Resource Centre** of agricultural technology supporting initiatives of public, private and voluntary sectors for **improving the agricultural economy** of the district and are linking the NARS with extension system and farmers.
- The KVK is **100% funded by the Government of India**.
- The first KVK was established in 1974 at **Puducherry**.

Swachhta Hi Seva Campaign

Swachhta Hi Seva initiative aims at accelerating the momentum of **Swachh Bharat Mission** and converting it into a **Jan-Andolan** for realizing the vision of a Clean India, reinforcing the belief that ‘**Sanitation is everyone’s business**’.

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