



Uttar Pradesh Tops in Country in Vaccination Against Lumpi Virus

Why in News?

- On October 26, 2022, a spokesman of the Uttar Pradesh state government said that **Uttar Pradesh has secured the first position in the country by vaccinating 1.50 crore animals** in the government campaign to prevent lumpi virus. The **recovery rate** from lumpi virus in the state is **95 percent**.

Key Points

- **Gujarat was second** only to Uttar Pradesh, the spokesman said. At present, **32 districts of Uttar Pradesh are affected by the lumpi virus**. Of these, about 1.05 lakh animals are affected by the lumpy virus.
- This achievement has been achieved in just two months of campaign. On the lines of Corona, a campaign was started to control the deadly disease like lumpy spreading rapidly in animals.
- In view of this, treatment was done by sending veterinarians from house to house, due to which more than 1 lakh animals have been cured of diseases so far. **Team-9 was formed by the department**, whose senior nodal officers broke the lumpy cycle by conducting operations in the affected Bareilly, Moradabad, Meerut, Saharanpur, Agra and Aligarh divisions.
- The spokesman said that the spread of infection was also prevented by the team of doctors by creating 89 dedicated cow medical sites in 26 districts. The 1.50 crore vaccination target has been met by around 2000 teams, while the target of vaccinating 1.60 crore animals by October 31 has been set.
- Significantly, lumpy skin disease is also called '**Lumpi Skin Disease Virus**'. Short is called **LSDV**. It is an infectious disease, which occurs from one animal to another. Simply, coming in contact with an infected animal can also make another animal sick.
- This disease is **caused by a virus called Capripoxvirus**. This virus is **related to the family of Goat Fox and Sheep Pox viruses**. According to experts, this disease is caused by mosquito bites and blood-sucking insects.
- It is known that thousands of cattle have been killed in the cheek of time due to this virus. According to government reports, more than 50,000 cows and buffaloes have died. At the same time, millions of cattle are in the grip of the lumpi virus. The havoc of the lumpy virus is being seen more in Rajasthan. So far, **the antidote of the lumpy virus has not been prepared**, due to which a large number of cattle have died.