

Department of Animal Husbandry inaugurates Animal Quarantine Certification Services in Bengaluru as part of National Milk Day Celebrations

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MoS Dr. Sanjay Kumar Balyan inaugurates Animal Quarantine Certification Services in Hasserghata, Bangalore

Department of Animal Husbandry, Ministry of Fisheries Animal Husbandry and Dairying celebrated National Milk Day on 26th November 2022 in Bengaluru, Karnataka. The Department inaugurated Animal Quarantine Certification Services as part of the celebrations in Hasserghata Bengaluru. The station has been completed recently and was inaugurated by Dr Sanjeev Kumar Balyan, Minister of State, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal husbandry & dairying, Government of India on National Milk Day in the presence of Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Govt. of India.

AQCS, Bangalore was initiated in August 2009 and the station has been functioning from the airport satellite office at Alpha 3, Kempegowda International airport, Bengaluru, Karnataka. Since its inception the station has seen a substantial

increase in its workload and movement of Livestock and Livestock products has increased manifold. However, in the absence of Quarantine facility, the Import of Live animals like Horses, Cattles, Sheep, Goats etc. was not allowed to import in Bengaluru.

Accordingly, the construction work started in the 10 acres area at Hessarghata, Bengaluru with the funding by Ministry of Fisheries Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India, the work has been executed by CPWD, Bangalore. The station has come up with state-of-the-art building and infrastructure.

With the ambient climatic conditions of Bengaluru, it is envisaged that the climatic conditions will be mostly suitable for live animals to be imported and such imported animals will be acclimatized properly at the Quarantine station in Hessarghata.

This station will facilitate regions in the country especially the Southern States to import and export of livestock and livestock products and boost to the trade. The AQCS will be equipped with online clearance System for imports of livestock products and livestock in due course and be a game changer for local economy.