

# भा.कृ.अनु.प.-राष्ट्रीय खुरपका मुँहपका रोग संस्थान

(पूर्व भा.कृ.अनु.प.-खुरपका मुँहपका रोग निदेशालय)



## ICAR- National Institute on Foot and Mouth Disease

(Formerly Directorate of Foot and Mouth Disease)

(FAO Reference Center for FMD)

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### CIRCULAR

ICAR-National Institute on Foot and Mouth Disease (NIFMD), the premier institute for FMD research in India under the aegis of Indian Council of Agricultural Research was initiated as an All India Coordinated Research Project (AICRP) for FMD in 1968 and subsequently upgraded to project Directorate on FMD (PDFMD) during 2001 and to Directorate of Foot and Mouth Disease (DFMD) during 2015. Now the Institute has a state of the art Biosafety Level-3 high containment laboratory. The Institute has been instrumental in extending technical and knowledge support to the top priority FMD control programme under LHDCP. Research endeavour in the Institute has made the country self sufficient in FMD diagnosis and vaccine technologies. The Institute is also involved in surveillance of the disease through its network of state laboratories countrywide. It is also designated as "FAO Reference Centre for FMD" by FAO of the United Nations.

The Governing Body of ICAR Society in its 255<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 22.03.2022 has approved the new name of the Institute as:

**National Institute on Foot and Mouth Disease (NIFMD)**

Consequent to this decision of the council (vide F.No.AS-5/1/2022/ASR-IV (E. No.186444 dated 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2023) Directorate of Foot and Mouth Disease (DFMD), Bhubaneswar has been rechristened as National Institute on Foot and Mouth Disease (NIFMD), Bhubaneswar w.e.f. 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2023.

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