406 Mobile Veterinary Units Approved for Madhya Pradesh

Why in News?

On April 21, 2022, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Minister of Madhya Pradesh Prem Singh Patel informed that 406 mobile veterinary units have been approved by the Central Government at the rate of 4 crore 6 lakh livestock in the state.

Key Points

- A new component of the Veterinary Unit run by the Government of India has been included in the scheme for establishment and strengthening of Central Veterinary Hospitals and Dispensaries in the year 2021-22. Under the scheme, one mobile veterinary unit will be operated for every one lakh livestock.
- The vehicle of the Mobile Veterinary Unit will be fully equipped with modern equipment and staff. The vehicle will have a Veterinarian, a Paravet and a Driver Co-Assistant. Apart from this, necessary equipment related to veterinary, minor surgery, artificial insemination, disease investigation will be installed in the vehicle. Projectors, speakers etc. will also be installed for publicity.
- A provision of Rs 18 lakh 72 thousand per mobile veterinary unit has been made per year for the necessary human resources available in the vehicle, medicine, POL for the vehicle and maintenance etc. It will have 60 percent central share and 40 percent state share.
- A provision of Rs 16 lakh has also been made for vehicles, vehicle decoration, equipment required for veterinary medicine, publicity equipment and fabrication. This amount is based on 100% central assistance.
- A call center will also be set up for a mobile veterinary unit. Call Operators and Veterinary Doctors will be appointed in the Call Center. A provision of 60 percent central share and 40 percent state share has been made for the centre.

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