



Workshop On 21st Livestock Census in Madhya Pradesh

Why in News?

Recently, **the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying** organised a workshop on '**Count of Pastoralists and their Livestock in 21st Livestock Census**' in **Indore**, Madhya Pradesh.

Key Points

- This workshop was organised to have better idea on the **practice of Pastoralism**, their habitats, routes in different areas etc. and to arrive at a common consensus on different issues like inclusive definition of Pastoralist, data to be collected and methodology to collect data.
 - The department conducts livestock census across the country **every 5 years since 1919**. The 21st livestock census is due in 2024.
- The livestock census is the main **source of data** for proper **planning and formulation of the Livestock Welfare Programme** for bringing further improvement in this sector.
- It **covers all domestic animals** and head counts of these animals which includes various **species of animals/poultry birds** possessed by the households, household enterprises/non-household enterprises at that site Breed-wise with their age, sex.

Note

National Livestock Mission (NLM) scheme has been restructured for **2021-22 to 2025-26**. The scheme focuses on **entrepreneurship development and breeds improvement** in poultry, sheep, goat and piggery, including feed and fodder development.

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