



## Training cum workshop on scaling up preventive approaches in the Indian poultry sector to minimise antibiotic use

Anil Agarwal Environment Training Institute (AAETI), Nimli, Rajasthan

August 19-21, 2025

### Agenda

Day 1, Tuesday, August 19	
8.45-9:00 am	Registration
9:00-9:30 am	Welcome and participant introduction
9:30-10:30 am	Session 1: Setting the context
9:30-9:50 am	Global and national response to the crisis of Antimicrobial Resistance <b>Amit Khurana</b> , Director, Sustainable food systems programme, Centre for Science and Environment (CSE)
9:50-10:00 am	Q&A and comments
10:00-10:20 am	Structuring the preventive approaches in the Indian poultry sector <b>Rajeshwari Sinha</b> , Sr. Programme Manager, Sustainable food systems programme, CSE
10:20-10:30 am	Q&A and comments
10:30-11:00 am	Tea/coffee
11:00 am-1:00 pm	Session 2: Role of alternatives in preventing the occurrence of disease and reducing antibiotic use in poultry
11:00-11:30 am	Veterinarian's perspective from the ground: practices, challenges and possibilities <b>R Sudhi</b> , Veterinary Surgeon, Animal Husbandry Dept., Kerala
11:30-11:45 am	Q&A and comments
11:45 am-12:15 pm	Industry perspective on alternatives: regulatory framework, evidence and data <b>Anup Kalra</b> , Chief Executive Officer, Ayurvet Research Foundation
12:15-12:30 pm	Q&A and comments
12:30-1:00 pm	<b>Panel discussion</b> (5 mins intervention by each) Moderated by <b>Amit Khurana</b> , CSE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Rajiva Dingar</b>, Dy Director (Animal Nutrition), Animal Husbandry Dept., UP</li> <li>• <b>Sanjeev Sharma</b>, VO, Veterinary Hospital, Indora, Kangra, Directorate of Animal Husbandry, HP</li> <li>• <b>Sumeet Kumar</b>, Team Coordinator, PRADAN</li> <li>• <b>Sandeep</b>, VO, Govt. Veterinary Hospital, Nangal Saliya, Tijara, Dept. of Animal Husbandry, Rajasthan</li> </ul>
1:00-2:00 pm	Lunch



2:00-3:30 pm	Session 3: Role of vaccination in preventing the occurrence of disease and reducing antibiotic use in poultry
2:00-2:40 pm	Perspectives on role of vaccination: science, challenges and possibilities <b>Sandeep Bhatia</b> , Pr. Scientist, ICAR - National Institute of High Security Animal Diseases <a href="#">(online)</a>
2:40-3:00 pm	Q&A and comments
3:00-3:20 pm	Regulatory framework of poultry vaccines in India <b>Gouri Shankar</b> , Dy. Drugs Controller (India), Central Drugs Standard Control Organization
3:20-3:30 pm	Q&A and comments
3:30-4:00 pm	Tea/coffee
4:00-5:40 pm	Session 4: Best practices series - part 1
4:00-4:25 pm	Implementation of No Antibiotic Ever Policy by Jubilant FoodWorks (JFL) <b>Abhitosh Kumar</b> , Head of Quality, JFL
4:25-4:35 pm	Q&A and comments
4:35-5:00 pm	Antibiotic free poultry farming by Graduate Farmer, Assam <b>Bapan Das</b> , Founder, Grdt Farmers Agrovvet Pvt. Ltd, Assam <a href="#">(online)</a>
5:00-5:10 pm	Q&A and comments
5:10-5:40 pm	<b>Panel discussion</b> (5 mins intervention by each) Moderated by <b>M R Reddy</b> , Pr. Scientist, Avian Health Lab, ICAR-Directorate of Poultry Research <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Madan Gopal</b>, VO and I/C, Vet. Hospital-Hobar, Chamba, Directorate of Animal Husbandry, HP</li> <li>• <b>K D Sharma</b>, Manager, Govt Poultry Farm, Gwalior, Directorate of Animal Husbandry and Dairy, Madhya Pradesh</li> <li>• <b>Raushan Kr. Singh</b>, SMS (Livestock Production) KVK, Badaun -I, UP</li> </ul>
<b>Day 2, Wednesday, August 20</b>	
8:45-9:00 am	Reflections from day 1
9:00-11:00 am	Session 5: Role of breeds in preventing the occurrence of disease and reducing antibiotic use in poultry
9:00-9:40 am	Poultry breeds in India and their role in reducing diseases: current status, science perspectives from AICRP on Poultry Breeding <b>M R Reddy</b> , ICAR-Directorate of Poultry Research
9:40-10:00 am	Q&A and comments



10:00-10:20 am	Implementation of AICRP on Poultry Breeding at TANUVAS: practices, challenges, possibilities <b>A. K. Thiruvengadan</b> , PI, AICRP on Poultry Breeding, College of Poultry Production and Management, TANUVAS ( <a href="#">online</a> )
10:20-10:30 am	Q&A and comments
10:30-11:00 am	<b>Panel discussion</b> (5 mins intervention by each) <i>Moderated by <b>Rajeshwari Sinha</b>, CSE</i>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dhirendra Kumar</b>, Lead (Livestock), Aga Khan Rural Support Programme India</li> <li>• <b>Subodh Kumar</b>, Dy, Chief Veterinary Officer-Saharahpur, Animal Husbandry Dept., UP</li> <li>• <b>Kunwar Ghanshyam</b>, SMS (Animal Husbandry), KVK Gautam Budh Nagar, UP</li> <li>• <b>Sachin Bindra</b>, VO, Central Poultry Farm, Nahan, Directorate of Animal Husbandry, HP</li> </ul>
11:00-11:30 am	Tea/Coffee
11:30 am-1:00 pm	Session 6: Best practices series - part 2
11:30 am-12:00 pm	Poultry interventions in rural areas and their role in promoting rural livelihoods, nutrition, and women's empowerment – The Keggfarms Model <b>K S Grewal</b> , General Manager-National Sales, KeggFarms Group
12:00-12:15 pm	Q&A and comments
12:15-12:45 pm	Role of improved slow growing breeds in enabling antibiotic free poultry farming <b>T Kotaiah</b> , Managing Director, Indbro Research & Breeding Farms Pvt Ltd. ( <a href="#">online</a> )
12:45-1:00 pm	Q&A and comments
1:00-2:00 pm	Lunch
	Session 7: Best practices series - part 2 (contd.)
2:00-2:30 pm	WASSAN's initiatives to strengthen backyard poultry in tribal and rural areas <b>M L Sanyasi Rao</b> , Associate Director, Watershed Support Services and Activities Network ( <a href="#">online</a> )
2:30-2:45 pm	Q&A and comments
2:45-3:15 pm	Giri Gram Takniki Park: an integrated backyard poultry farming model <b>Jaydip Rokade</b> , Scientist (Poultry Sc.), Poultry Housing & Management Div., ICAR- Central Avian Research Institute (CARI)
3:15-3:30 pm	Q&A and comments
3:30-4:00 pm	Tea/coffee



4:00-5:30 pm	Session 8: Role of biosecurity and health management in preventing the occurrence of disease and reducing antibiotic use in poultry
4:00-4:40 pm	Biosecurity and health management in poultry <b>Gautham Kolluri</b> , Scientist, Avian Physiology and Reproduction Div., ICAR-CARI ( <a href="#">online</a> )
4:40-5:00 pm	Q&A and comments
5:00-5:30 pm	<b>Panel discussion</b> (5 mins intervention by each) <i>Moderated by R Sudhi, Kerala</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yogendra Kumar</b>, VO, Sitapur, Animal Husbandry Dept., UP</li> <li>• <b>Tamanna Gupta</b>, VO, Him Hatchery Sundernagar, Directorate of Animal Husbandry, HP</li> <li>• <b>Deepak Kr Choudhary</b>, VO, Vet. Hospital Jalawas, Dept. of Animal Husbandry, Rajasthan</li> </ul>
<b>Day 3, Thursday, August 21</b>	
6:00-7:30 am	Nature walk
8:45-9:00 am	Reflections from day 2
9:00-10:30 am	Session 9: Role of farm management in preventing the occurrence of disease and reducing antibiotic use in poultry
9:00-9:40 am	Farm management in poultry <b>Jaydip Rokade</b> , Scientist (Poultry Sc.), Poultry Housing & Management Div., ICAR-CARI
9:40-10:00 am	Q&A and comments
10:00-10:30 am	<b>Panel discussion</b> (5 mins intervention by each) <i>Moderated by M R Reddy, ICAR-DPR</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ranjana Sood</b>, VO, Govt Poultry Farm Chauntra, Mandi, Directorate of Animal Husbandry, HP</li> <li>• <b>Pramod K Madke</b>, Subject Matter Specialist (SMS) and Asstt. Prof. (Livestock production management), KVK Hapur, UP</li> <li>• <b>Mahendra Singh</b>, Techno-commercial poultry consultant, Madhya Pradesh</li> </ul>
10:30-11:00 am	Tea/coffee
11:00 am-12:30 pm	Session 10: Best practice series - part 3
11:00-11:30 am	Organic egg production from free range poultry farming by HappyHens Farms <b>Ashok Kannan</b> , Co-Founder and MD, Farm operations, Happy Hens Farm ( <a href="#">online</a> )
11:30-11:45 am	Q&A and comments
11:45 am-12:30 pm	Open discussion on key takeaways <b>Amit Khurana</b> , CSE
12:30-1:30 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm onwards	Departures



#### **List of participants and resource persons**

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3. Amit Khurana, Director, Sustainable Food Systems, CSE
4. Amit Sharma, VO, Vet. Hospital, Rapo, Misran, Una, Directorate of Animal Husbandry, Himachal Pradesh (HP)
5. Anup Kalra, CEO, Ayurved Research Foundation
6. Ashok Kannan, Co-Founder and MD, Farm operations, Happy Hens Farm
7. Bapan Das, Founder, Grdt Farmers Agrovat Pvt. Ltd, Assam
8. Deepak Kumar Choudhary, VO, Govt. Vet. Hospital, Jalawas, Mundawar, Dept. of Animal Husbandry, Rajasthan
9. Dharendra Kumar, Lead, Livestock, Aga Khan Rural Support Programme India
10. Gautham Kolluri, Scientist, Division of Avian Physiology and Reproduction, ICAR-CARI
11. Gouri Shankar, Deputy Drugs Controller (India), CDSCO
12. Ishani Bhawani, VO, Regional Poultry Farm, Shimla, Directorate of Animal Husbandry, HP
13. Jaydip Rokade, Scientist (Poultry Science), Poultry Housing & Management Div., ICAR-CARI
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