

ICAR Task Force for Developing Countries (TF-DC)

REPORT
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OBJECTIVES

Main Objective

- To assist DC in planning and implementing animal Identification and Recording (I&R) systems which will contribute to improving productivity of the livestock sector.

Specific Objective

- To develop a decision-support tool for implementing animal I&R systems for DC based on existing ICAR and FAO standards and guidelines

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Activities

- By e-mail
 - Terms of references of the TF
 - Questionnaire about national programs
- Meeting 26 to 29 May (FAO-Budapest)
 - Review animal I&R systems in the TF members' countries.
 - Review the proceedings of ICAR/FAO workshops animal I&R systems in developing countries.
 - Draft the outlines of a background paper

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Activities

- Structure of the paper
 - TF's definitions
 - Global context and the driving forces
 - Reasons of failures and requirements for success
 - Framework of the decision support- tool for implementing I&R systems in DC
- FAO regional workshop on "Development of animal identification and recording systems for veterinary surveillance and livestock development in countries of Central and Eastern Europe" 29 to 30 May, 2008

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