MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
DIRECTORATE OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES
DEPARTMENT GOVERNMENT OF SINDH KARACHI

AND

RURAL SUPPORT PROGRAMMES NETWORK (RSPN)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is made at Hyderabad on the 2nd September, 2019 between Directorate of Animal Husbandry, Livestock & Fisheries Department Government of Sindh

And

The Rural Support Programmes Network (RSPN) as a company registered by Government of Pakistan

under section 42 of the Companies Ordinance 1984 (XLVII of 1984) with the registration No. 1-02663 on 28th July, 2000 referred to individually as RSPN and collectively as the “Parties and/or the “Two Institutions”.

WHEREAS in the interest of maintaining collaboration of mutual benefit for the purpose of jointly undertaking capacity building support and improve livelihoods of the poor communities in Sindh Province by sharing experience of members/staff of two organizations.

OBJECTIVE OF MOU

The objective of the memorandum is to seek benefits from existing technical resources and expertise of Government of Sindh Livestock Department for implementation of Livestock and Poultry related interventions and provide preventive health cover in rural areas of 10 districts of Sindh, where RSPN is implementing EU funded Programme for Improved Nutrition in Sindh (PINS).

COORDINATION BETWEEN INSTITUTIONS

Trans-boundary animal Disease coordinator (TADCO) Sindh @ Directorate of Animal Husbandry, Livestock & Fisheries Department Government of Sindh will act as coordinator collaboration on the behalf of Government of Sindh Livestock Department and Manager Special Project Wing on behalf of RSPN.

TIME FRAME

This MOU will remain operative for a period of three years, which may be extended further with mutual consent of both parties. This MOU may be reviewed annually; it may be amended or modified at any time with mutual written agreement of both parties.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF GOVERNMENT OF SINDH LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT

i. Provide technical assistance to RSPN for preparation of content/material to be used for dissemination of information among communities through different activities like awareness sessions, training and extension services etc.

ii. Share best international practices with RSPN for efficient management of livestock and provide technical assistance for replication of these practices in ongoing projects/programmes of RSPN/RSPs

iii. Facilitate RSPN for organizing different training events related to Livestock and Poultry by providing technical resources and training facilities on need basis,
iv. Livestock department will organize short term trainings and refresher courses for these “Community Livestock Extension workers” (CLEWs) as and when required (Subject to funds born by the RSPN or through any other project).

v. Facilitate Community Livestock Extension Workers (CLEWs) trained at RTI Tando Muhammad Khan, under EU funded PINS programme in hands-on training in vaccination and de-worming, by attaching these CLEWs with Technical Human resource of Department.

vi. Provide required seasonal Vaccine on free of cost to the CLEWs to provide preventive health cover on volunteer basis.

vii. Involve trained CLEWs in vaccination campaigns arranged by the department,

viii. Livestock Department, Government of Sindh will responsible for monitoring extension activities and outcomes, of the CLEWs, which will be managed and coordinate through District Livestock office and VO and SA at field level.

ix. Livestock department will participate in consultation meetings and District Livestock Officers will participate in review and planning meetings organized by RSPN to provide technical inputs and feedback.

x. The Department may provide technical endorsement and its inputs on different livestock proposals & modules.

**RESPONSIBILITIES OF RURAL SUPPORT PROGRAMMES NETWORK (RSPN)**

i. RSPN will consult with livestock Department: Before launching any program / Project on livelihood anywhere in the province.

ii. RSPN will share the details of 193 Community Livestock Extension workers (CLEWs) in 193 union of ten PINS targeted Districts, who have been trained in 60 days CLEWs training from RTI, Tando Mohammad Khan, Sindh,

iii. All these 193 trained CLEWs will have “CLEWs First aid and Artificial Insemination” toolkit provided by RSPN on completion of successful 60 days CLEWs training from RTI.

iv. These CLEWs will work under the supervision of “District Livestock Officer”, Livestock Department, Government of Sindh and “Rural Support Program Network” through their RSPs –The implementing partners of PINS ER-3. After the end of the PINS program funded by EU, Livestock department, Government of Sindh through District Livestock Officers will manage and supervise extension activities in their specific areas.

v. RSPN will share regular data of work done on fortnightly and monthly basis with Livestock Department at various tier.

vi. All these CLEWs will be responsible to conduct outreach visits as per the action plan shared with their LSO and or official of Livestock Department, identify livestock suffering from diseases and carry out first aid, drenching, vaccination, technical advice and other basic livestock management services during them, and referring more serious cases of sick animals to the Government-led Veterinary Hospitals for further treatment, In addition, the CLEWs identify and report disease epidemics

vii. RSPN through RSPs will establish “Farmers Field Schools” (FFSs) in the villages with groups of 25 participants to create demand for livestock services. Technical staff of Livestock Department will trained the participants and CLEWs will assist them in capacity building opportunities related to Livestock & Poultry Management.

viii. RSPN will facilitate the department in seeking community level support for research and extension to be conducted on different aspects of livestock and poultry in targeted districts.
ix. RSPN will share community level issues on Livestock and Poultry with department so that the department can take corrective measures according to these issues.

SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

In case of any dispute or difference arising out of this MoU of whatsoever nature, the matter shall be referred to the Secretary to Government of Sindh, Livestock & Fisheries Department as Sole Arbitrator, whose decision will be final and binding on both parties and shall not be called in question in any court of law.

Except as provided in this MoU, none of the rights or obligations hereunder shall be assignable or transferable by any party.

In witness whereof the undersigned, being duly authorized representatives of the parties have signed, on behalf of the Parties, this MOU on/at the date and place mentioned above.

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