GUIDE AND DOCUMENT CHECKLIST

Government Schemes for Livestock and Poultry Farmers

A simple guide to the main central government schemes for dairy, poultry, goat and sheep farmers in India, with a document checklist and application steps.

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Important: scheme rules, subsidy limits and portals change often and differ by state. Always confirm the latest details with your district Animal Husbandry office, bank or the official website before you apply. Never pay an agent to "guarantee" a subsidy.

Main schemes at a glance

Scheme	What it gives	Who can apply / where
National Livestock Mission (NLM) Entrepreneurship	About 50% capital subsidy on projects: poultry breeder farms and hatcheries (subsidy up to about Rs 25 lakh), sheep and goat breeding (up to about Rs 50 lakh), piggery (up to about Rs 30 lakh), feed and fodder units (up to about Rs 50 lakh)	Individuals, FPOs, SHGs, cooperatives, companies. Apply online at nlm.udyamimitra.in with a bank loan sanction or own funds
Kisan Credit Card (KCC) for animal husbandry	Short-term loans for feed, medicine, labour and other running costs at a subsidised interest rate, with extra interest relief for prompt repayment; small loans without collateral	Dairy, poultry, goat, sheep and pig farmers. Apply at any bank branch or KCC camp
National Animal Disease Control Programme (NADCP)	Free FMD vaccination every 6 months and free brucellosis vaccination for female calves	All farmers; contact your local veterinary hospital
Rashtriya Gokul Mission	Better breeding of indigenous cattle and buffaloes: AI at the doorstep, sex-sorted semen, breed improvement and support for breeding farms	Through state livestock boards and veterinary hospitals
Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF)	Interest subvention on loans for dairy and meat processing, feed plants and breed farms	Individuals, MSMEs, FPOs, companies; apply through the AHIDF portal and bank

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Livestock insurance (under NLM)	Subsidised insurance premium for cattle, buffaloes, goats, sheep and other animals; farmer pays a small share	Through the state Animal Husbandry department and insurance companies
Mobile Veterinary Units (helpline 1962)	Vet care at your doorstep in many states	Call 1962 in participating states

Document checklist

Personal and bank

- ☐ Aadhaar card (linked to mobile)
- ☐ PAN card
- ☐ Bank passbook or cancelled cheque
- ☐ Passport-size photos
- ☐ Caste certificate (if applying under SC/ST category)
- ☐ Address proof

Project and land

- ☐ Land record or registered lease deed
- ☐ Detailed project report (DPR)
- ☐ Quotations for sheds, equipment and animals
- ☐ Training certificate (if available)
- ☐ Bank loan sanction letter (for subsidy schemes)
- ☐ Ear-tag / Pashu Aadhaar numbers of animals
- ☐ Existing farm photos and records

How to apply: 6 steps

1. Visit your nearest veterinary hospital or district Animal Husbandry office and ask which schemes are open now.
2. Get training if you are new (KVKs and state departments run short courses).
3. Prepare a project report with costs, income and repayment plan.
4. Collect all documents in the checklist above and make copies.
5. Apply online or at the bank; save the application number.
6. Follow up regularly; keep all receipts and farm records for inspection.

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My scheme application tracker

Scheme	Office / bank	Date applied	Application no.	Documents pending	Status	Next follow-up

Useful contacts

Local veterinary hospital

District Animal Husbandry office

Bank branch manager

Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK)

Official sources: dahd.gov.in, nlm.udyamimitra.in, ahidf.udyamimitra.in, and your state Animal Husbandry department website. Read our Government Schemes articles at vetvaishnavi.com/category/government-schemes/.

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