Emergency Management Centre for Animal Health

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FAO Emergency Management at the Core

Applying the principles of FAO’s Good Emergency Management Practice
Renewed Emphasis on Building Capacity in Emergency Preparedness

- **Plan**: develop the structures, systems, financing, risk analyses, written plans/procedures
- **Equip**: assess and secure the necessary equipment and supplies to implement the plan
- **Train**: develop knowledge, skills and abilities of those expected to implement the plans/SOPs
- **Exercise**: design, develop, conduct and evaluate simulations to test the planning, equipment and training resulting in after action reports and improvement planning
Good Emergency Management Practices

• The GEMP is an EM planning tool
• Increase awareness and build capacities of veterinary services
• Expanded in 2011 - FAO’s Guide on GEMP: The Essentials
• 2019 Revision
Preparedness Actions

• Develop disease action plans
• Lead tabletop exercises
• Sponsor technical workshops
• Support emergency regional consultation
• Procure personal protective equipment for mission response
• Support assessment missions for preparedness
Response Actions Conducted by EMC-AH

• Encourage and assist countries that face imminent animal health risks to take *early action*

• Rapid deployment of missions to support *emergency response* in countries and regions with animal health emergencies.

• Maintain a roster of animal health and emergency management experts to meet country requests for needs assessments, rapid response and surge support.
As the central coordinating body for global animal health emergency management, EMC-AH provides services ranging from situation analysis and reporting, to coordination of an event or emergency incident.

- Restore the FAO Animal Health Emergency Operations Centre (AH-EOC) to function as the central coordinating body for emergency management practices in FAO animal health programmes.
- Create national, regional and international AH-EOC framework guidance.
Incident Coordination

• Benin, African Swine Fever, January 2018
• Iran, Avian Influenza (AI) H5N8, January 2018
• South Sudan, RVF, January 2018
• Congo, Rabies, February 2018
• Togo, AI H5N1, April 2018
• Zambia, FMD, May 2018
• DRC, FAO Ebola Incident Coordination Group, May – July 2018
• Eastern Africa, FAO RVF Incident Coordination Group, July 2018
Animal Health Emergency Operation Centre

- US Defense Threat Reduction Agency

- Framework for an Animal Health Emergency Operations Centre

- WHO Framework for a Public Health Emergency Operation Centre

- Three Phases

Using WHO PH-EOC Framework as a model
Collaboration and Mobilize Resources
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