3. The transporter shall carry such documents, permits, certificates and records as may be required under the applicable laws and shall produce them for inspection on demand by the competent authority.

4. Transportation of poultry shall be carried out in a manner that ensures the safety, welfare and humane handling of the birds and minimizes overcrowding, injury, distress and risk of disease transmission.

5. Entry of the consignment into the State of Goa shall not be allowed in the event conditions stipulated at Sr. No. (1) to (4) above are not adhered to.

Any violation of the aforesaid directions shall invite appropriate action in accordance with the law in force.

This Notification shall come into force with immediate effect.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Dr. *Nitin Naik*, Director & ex officio Jt. Secretary (AH).

Panaji.

Notification

30-1/AH/GMSVI-SASICI/2026-27/4219 Date : 27-Oct-2026

Sub.: "Adoption of Guidelines for Minimum Standards of Veterinary Institutions" (GMSVI).

The Government of Goa is pleased to adopt the "Guidelines for Minimum Standards of Veterinary Institutions for Goa" for state-wide implementation for strengthening Veterinary Infrastructure, enhance service delivery, improve Livestock Health by ensuring consistent and comprehensive care delivery.

Whereas, the Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying (DAHD), Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Government of India, Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Government of India, has issued the Guidelines to adopt Minimum Standards of Veterinary Institutions for the States vide OM No. K-11/47/2024-LH (E27777) dated 26th November, 2025 through a Notification or an Official Order in accordance with the DAHD's guidelines in a phased manner.

And whereas, notification of "Adoption of Guidelines for Minimum Standards of Veterinary Institutions" (GMSVI) along with Action Plan by the State Government is one of the mandatory qualifying criteria stipulated under the Operational Guidelines of the Scheme for Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI), 2026-27, prescribing the eligibility and performance criteria to be fulfilled by the States for availing incentives under the Livestock Sector Reforms, vide its letter No. T-11013/4/2025-AHS_DADF (38710) dated 10th April, 2026.

And whereas, the Adoption of Guidelines for Minimum Standards of Veterinary Institutions (GMSVI) along with Action Plan for the State of Goa has been prepared by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, Government of Goa for implementation in the State;

And whereas, the Government of Goa, has examined the said Action Plan and considers it appropriate to notify the same as the guiding framework for implementation of Strengthening Veterinary Infrastructure, Enhance Service Delivery, Improve Livestock Health by ensuring consistent and comprehensive care delivery in the State of Goa;

The said Guidelines for Minimum Standards of Veterinary Institutions (GMSVI) Action Plan once implemented will be monitored, reviewed and revised as and when necessary by constituting a "Committee for Minimum Standards of Veterinary Institutions". Now, therefore, in pursuance of the Adoption Guidelines for Minimum Standards of Veterinary Institutions issued by the Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Government of India, the Government of Goa hereby notifies the Adoption of "Minimum Standards of Veterinary Institutions" for the State of Goa", as the policy and planning framework in the State of Goa and for its state-wide implementation.

The Action Plan for State of Goa under the "Minimum Standards of Veterinary Institutions for the State of Goa" is as per the succeeding pages.

This has the approval of the Government vide U.O. No.191/F dated 09th October, 2026.

By order and in the name of Governor of Goa

Dr. *Nitin Naik*, Director (AH) & ex officio Joint Secretary.

Panaji.

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Action Plan for Minimum Standards of Veterinary Infrastructure Upgradation in Goa in alignment with National Minimum Standards Framework

This Action Plan establishes a strategic roadmap for modernizing veterinary healthcare delivery in the State of Goa. By aligning existing establishments—Veterinary Hospitals, Veterinary Dispensaries, and Key Village Sub-Centres (KVSCs)—with the Government of India's Guidelines for Minimum Standards of Veterinary Infrastructure, Goa transitions into a structured four-tiered institutional framework. This plan designates state-level super-specialty capabilities, district-level hubs across all three administrative districts (North Goa, South Goa, Kushavati), designated Taluka/Block Hospitals, and primary GP-level care networks.

1. *Four-Tier Institutional Network Framework*

Under the national framework, veterinary clinical care is organized into four complementary tiers based on operational reach and technical complexity. The state network is categorized as follows:

• **Tier 4**: State Level Super Speciality Hospital — Veterinary Hospital Tonca (Tiswadi Taluka) is designated as the State Apex Institution for super-specialty care, advanced diagnostics, tele-consultation, and state-wide epidemiological data processing.

• **Tier 3**: District Level Veterinary Hospitals — Major regional diagnostic and emergency hubs situated at District HQs:

- North Goa District HQ: Veterinary Hospital Mapusa (Acoi).
- South Goa District HQ: Veterinary Hospital Sonsodo-Margao.
- Kushavati District HQ: Veterinary Dispensary Sanguem (Upgraded to District Hospital).

• **Tier 2**: Taluka/Block Level Veterinary Hospitals — 12 designated central facilities acting as intermediate referral hubs, providing ultrasound, X-ray, routine major surgeries, inpatient care, and post-mortem services.

• **Tier 1**: Primary Veterinary Care Centres (PVCCs) & Paravet Centres — Remaining Veterinary Dispensaries serve as PVCCs, and Key Village Sub-Centres (KVSCs) function as GP-level field Paravet Centres under their respective parent institutions.

1.1 Operational Mapping of Taluka Block Hospitals and Jurisdictional Sub-Centers.

District	Taluka	Designated Taluka Block Hospital	Jurisdictional Sub-Centres (PVCCs & KVSCs)
North Goa	Sattari	VH Honda	• KVSC Paryem, KVSC Ravan, KVSC Keri • VD Valpoi (KVSC Advai, KVSC Thana, KVSC Nagargao, KVSC Surla Sattari) • VD Gawane (KVSC Khotodem)

North Goa	Bicholim	VD Bicholim	• KVSC Navelim, KVSC Sanquelim • VD Pirna, VD Sal
North Goa	Pernem	VD Pernem	• KVSC Warkhand • VD Mandrem (KVSC Agarwada) • VD Chandel
North Goa	Tiswadi	VD Old Goa (Ela)	• KVSC Goa Velha, KVSC Cumbarjua *(*Note*: VH Tonca functions as State Apex Hospital)*
North Goa	Bardez	VD Calangute	• VD Siolim *(*Note*: VH Mapusa functions as North Goa District Hospital)*
South Goa	Mormugao	VD Vasco	• KVSC Velsao
South Goa	Salcete	VD Majorda	• VD Navelim, VD Varca *(*Note*: VH Sonsodo-Margao functions as South Goa District Hospital)*
South Goa	Ponda	VH Ponda	• KVSC Kavlem, KVSC Nirankal, KVSC Priol, KVSC Kundai, KVSC Betora, KVSC Keri • VD Savoi Verem • VD Usgao (KVSC Guleli, KVSC Surla, KVSC Kasailem, KVSC Pale) • VD Shiroda (KVSC Borim)
Kushavati	Sanguem	VD Netravali	• KVSC Verlem *(*Note*: VD Sanguem functions as Kushavati District Hospital)*
Kushavati	Dharbandora	VD Mollem	• KVSC Collem, KVSC Sancordem • VD Dharbandora (KVSC Dabal)
Kushavati	Canacona	VD Canacona	• KVSC Agonda, KVSC Gaondongrim • VD Poinguinim (KVSC Loliem)
Kushavati	Quepem	VD Quepem	• KVSC Cotombi, KVSC Caurem, KVSC Pirla, KVSC Malkarnem

2. Human Resource Deployment Plan

Standardized staffing norms are essential for delivering quality veterinary care. Manpower allocations across all tiers are aligned with the guidelines:

Facility Tier	Mandatory Minimum Staffing Norms	Strategic Implementation Action
State Super Speciality (VH Tonca)	• 1 In-Charge Specialist (4th Band: MVSc/PhD, 10-20 yrs exp) • 3 Senior Specialists (3rd Band: Medicine, Surgery, Gynaecology) • 6 Specialists (2nd Band: Medicine, Surgery, Gynaecology, Pathology/Microbiology) • 7 Basic Specialists (1st Band) • Auxiliary/Support staff equivalent to District Hospital	Sanction super-specialist cadre positions and organize institutional divisions across Clinical Medicine, Surgery, Gynaecology, and Diagnostics.
District Hospitals (Mapusa, Sonsodo, Sanguem)	• 4 Specialized Doctors (MVSc in Medicine, Surgery, Gynaecology, Pathology) • 1 Livestock Extension Officer, 1 Data Entry Operator	Recruit specialized MVSc doctors for Pathologist, Surgeon, and Gynecologist roles to enable 24/7 emergency & referral operations.

	• 2 Paravets, 2 Pharmacists, 1 Lab Tech/Radiographer, 1 OT Tech • 5 Animal Attendants, 2 Ward Attendants (Total: 19)	
Taluka Block Hospitals (12 Designated Hubs)	• 2 Veterinary Doctors • 2 Paravets/Field Assistants • 2 Animal Attendants/Vaccinators (Total: 6)	Upgrade doctor strength to 2 per block center to ensure uninterrupted round-the-clock emergency handling.
PVCCs & Paravet Centres (Dispensaries & KVSCs)	• 1 Veterinary Doctor per PVCC • 1 Assisting Paravet + GP-level Paravets (@ 1 per 1,000 cattle in normal areas; 1 per 600 cattle in hilly/forest zones like Sattari, Sanguem, Canacona) • 2 Animal Attendants/Vaccinators per PVCC • 1 Paravet + 1 Attendant per physical KVSC centre	Ensure every Gram Panchayat has at least 1 dedicated Paravet, supported by community workers (MAITRI/A-HELP).

3. Phased Infrastructure & Equipment Implementation Plan

Phase 1: Baseline Upgrades for PVCCs & Field Centres (Months 1–6)

• Civil & Clinical Layout: Construct shaded waiting areas, cattle crushes/travises, mini OTs for small animals, examination rooms, and fluid administration/post-op care units across all PVCCs.

• Essential Diagnostic Equipment: Equip every PVCC with 1 binocular microscope with digital support, hematological analyzer, electrolyte analyzer, ketometer, AI sets, liquid nitrogen storage containers, and minor surgery sets.

• Utilities & Sanitation: Ensure uninterrupted power backup, running tap water, gender-separated toilets, and regulatory-compliant biomedical waste disposal containers.

• Mobile Emergency Support: Deploy Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs) equipped with diagnostic kits and minor surgical units, integrated with a 24/7 toll-free helpline dispatch call center.

Phase 2: Block Hospital Capability Build-Out (Months 6–12)

• Diagnostic & Surgical Upgrades: Install small animal X-ray units, portable ultrasound scanners for ruminants, multi-parameter vital monitors, gaseous anesthesia machines, and hydraulic surgery tables across all 12 Block Hospitals.

• Inpatient & Post-Mortem Infrastructure: Construct dedicated large and small animal inpatient wards, post-mortem halls, and incinerator facilities.

• Ambulance Service: Station at least 1 fully equipped Animal Ambulance at each Taluka Block Hospital for emergency transportation and field rescue.

Phase 3: District & State Super Speciality Upgrade (Months 12–24)

• State Super Speciality Apex (VH Tonca): Establish advanced blood transfusion units, laparoscopic surgery suites, Colour Doppler, ECG, CT scan, dental, ophthalmology, laser therapy, and dual OTs for small and large animals.

• District Diagnostic Labs: Set up BSL-I diagnostic laboratory units at Mapusa, Sonsodo-Margao, Sanguem, and Tonca to support comprehensive biochemistry, pathology, bacteriology, and parasitology testing.

• Environmental & Data Processing Systems: Install Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs), central oxygen supply facilities, and an Epidemiological Data Processing Unit at VH Tonca to analyze disease profiles and advise state health administration.