

7 – 10 January 2019: Sixty five livestock officials from 20-dzongkhag field offices attended the 4-day training on “**Database Design and Management on On-Farm Biosecurity**” using Epiinfo 7 in Phuntsholing from 7 to 10 January 2019. The training was organized by BAFRA with funding support from European Union Rural Development Climate Change Response Programs (EU-RDCCRP). The objective of the training was to train the participants on developing small to mid-



sized database construction, a customized data entry experience, data analyses with epidemiological statistics, maps and graphs for generating data in the areas of Animal Biosecurity and Veterinary Public Health (VPH).

During the training, the participants were given lectures combined with hands-on demo followed by practical exercise (doing real thing using own questionnaires or

example questionnaires). The interactive discussion was kept in every lecture session to flag issues, quires, trouble shooting and share tips and best practices.

Mr. Kaling Dorji, Senior Regulatory & Quarantine officer claims training on database design and management is first of its kind during his 15 years of service in BAFRA. He said: “I will apply the training knowledge in designing the simple database for meat inspection checklist and organize information for risk based inspection and informed decision making.

During the training, demonstration on use of “Formalin Detection test kit” and “Milk adulteration detection test kit” were done. The test kits are supported in kind by World Health Organization (WHO) office in Bhutan.

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