

Press Release

Stakeholder consultation on protocol and response guide on Giant African Land Snail (GALS)-20 December 2024 at Samdrupjongkhar



The Bhutan Food and Drug Authority (BFDA), Ministry of Health with collaboration of Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECC) organized Stakeholder Consultation on protocol and response guide for Giant African Land Snail on 20 December 2024 at Samdrupjongkhar.

The objective of the meeting was mainly to create awareness and sensitize key stakeholders on GALS outbreak and management measures. The meeting was conducted in one of the major point of entry which will also benefit prevention of fresh entry of GALS in the international borders.

About 26 participants from various key stakeholders and BFDA officials from point of entry attend the important meeting. The session was facilitated by the technical working experts group with support of Adaptation Fund Project through Bhutan Trust Fund Environmental Conservation.

The Director of Bhutan FDA graced the opening session of the stakeholder's meeting and greeted the key stakeholders and the participants. In her opening remark, emphasized deliberation on finding solution with renewed thinking and questioning process as various stakeholders has individual roles to play in pest prevention measures.

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