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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

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SUBJECT : NEWCASTLE DISEASE REPORTS IN LUZON POULTRY FARMS

In view of increasing reports of Newcastle Disease (ND) in poultry occurring in some Luzon provinces, Department of Agriculture (DA) Regional Field Offices and Veterinary Offices of Local Government Units stationed in Luzon are directed to take extra precautionary measures to prevent the spread of the disease and to implement necessary control procedures.

For farms with ND outbreaks, all are advised to ensure the following:

1. Stricter quarantine and movement control measures
2. Proper destruction of all infected and exposed birds (21 days before restocking)
3. Thorough cleaning and appropriate disinfection of farm premises

ND vaccination should be done regularly on schedule, especially in backyard poultry farms and in game fowls, using the right type of vaccine per poultry type and age group, and correct strain of ND virus as recommended by the Bureau of Animal Industry (see attached). There is no treatment for the disease and vaccination is the best preventive measure.

BAI Memorandum dated January 15, 2016 on the "Additional requirements for the local transport of hatching eggs, day-old chicks, pullets, chickens and game fowls from any point in Luzon" and DA Administrative Order No. 2, Series of 2008 on the "Hauling, Transport, Delivery and Disposal of Chicken Dung and Animal Manure" (see attached) are hereby reiterated for strict compliance.

For your immediate action.


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ND VACCINATION GUIDELINES FOR POULTRY *

For Backyard Chickens			
Age	Vaccine Type	Strain	Route
Day 1-3	ND Live	B1B1 or La Sota	Intraorbital/Intranasal
Day 10-14	ND Live	La Sota	Intraorbital/Intranasal
Repeat after every 3 MONTHS	ND Live	La Sota	Intraorbital/Intranasal

For Gamefowls and Free Range Chickens			
Age	Vaccine Type	Strain	Route
Day 1-3	ND Live	B1B1 or La Sota	Intraorbital/Intranasal
Day 10-14	ND Live	La Sota	Intraorbital/Intranasal
Day 28	ND Live	La Sota	Intraorbital/Intranasal
Repeat after every 3 MONTHS	ND Live	La Sota	Intraorbital/Intranasal

For Commercial Broiler Chicken			
Age	Vaccine Type	Strain	Route
Day 1-3	ND Live	B1B1 or La Sota	Intraorbital/Intranasal
Day 10-14	ND Live	La Sota	Intraorbital/Intranasal

For Commercial Layer Chicken			
Age	Vaccine Type	Strain	Route
Day 3-7	ND live	B1B1 or any apathogenic strains	Intraorbital/Intranasal
Day 14-17	ND live	La Sota	Intraorbital/Intranasal
Day 28	ND killed (half dose)		Subcutaneous /Intramuscular
Week 10	ND live	La Sota	Spray
Week 14-16	ND killed (half dose)		Subcutaneous /Intramuscular
Week 28	ND Live	La Sota	Subcutaneous /Intramuscular

**This is the minimum recommendation and a farm may use a more vigorous program (different ND vaccine types and/ or more frequent vaccination) upon the advice of their veterinarian.*