

National Animal Disease Control Programme (NADCP)

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Why is it in the news?

NADCP was launched recently, aimed at eradicating 'Foot and Mouth disease' (FMD) and 'Brucellosis' in livestock.

What is this program?

NADCP programme aims to

Vaccinate over 500 million livestock heads, including cattle, buffalo, sheep, goats and pigs against FMD.

Vaccinate over 36 million female bovine calves annually against Brucellosis.

The programme has received 100% funding from the Centre, for 5 years until 2024.

The NADCP aims to control these 2 diseases by 2025 and to eradicate them by 2030.

FMD (Foot and Mouth disease)

It is a highly infectious viral disease of livestock.

It is generally not fatal in adult animals but leaves them severely weakened.

It results in a drastically reduced production of milk.

Therefore, it financially ruinous for dairy farmers.

Infected animals get a fever, sores in their mouth, on their teats, and between their hooves.

It spreads through excretions and secretions, infected animals also exhale the virus.

It is endemic in several parts of Asia, most of Africa, and the Middle East.

Australia, New Zealand, Indonesia, Central, North and Latin America, continental Western Europe are FMD-free.

Brucellosis

This is a zoonotic disease that is endemic in most parts of the country.

It causes early abortions in animals and prevents the add it