



No.684/DC/Sec. Br./ATK
**OFFICE OF THE
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
ATTOCK**

Dated Attock the 16th June 2025

To

The Managing Director
Cattle Market Management Company (CCMC)
Rawalpindi.

**Subject: - COUNTERACTIVE MEASURES AGAINST CONGO CRIMEAN
HEMORRHAGIC FEVER (CCHF).**

Apropos the subject, Congo Crimean Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF) is a viral disease caused through the bites of ticks or contact with blood and bodily fluids of infected animals or humans. It poses a significant public health threat due to its high fatality rate, lack of a specific treatment, and potential for nosocomial outbreaks.

2. Since ticks are the primary vectors, controlling their population is crucial. This involves the use of acaricides (chemical tick repellents) on livestock, maintaining hygienic animal husbandry practices, and implementing tick surveillance programs. Reducing tick populations in endemic areas limits both animal-to-human and human-to-human transmission.

3. In this prospect, Cattle Markets are high-risk environments for the transmission of Congo Crimean Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF), a severe tick-borne viral disease. The virus is transmitted to humans through tick bites, direct contact with infected animal blood or tissues, and, less commonly, through human-to-human transmission. Implementing counteractive measures in cattle markets is critical to preventing outbreaks and protecting both animal handlers and the public.

4. Moreover, Inter-District / Inter-Provincial movement of livestock is being carried out, which is a cause of this severe communal disease.

5. In this milieu, One (01) positive cases of Congo Crimean Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF) has been reported in Village Wali Dad Banda Tehsil Hazro District Attock. Report in this context, submitted by CEO, District Health and Population Department, Attock vide his office letter No. 2243/CEO (DHA)/Attock dated 16.06.2025 is enclosed herewith for perusal.

6. Hence, the undersigned has declared Health Emergency in the District due to above mentioned case of Endemic of Congo Crimean Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF) for a period of Fifteen days through imposition of restrictions under Sub-Sections (1) (6) of Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Punjab Amendment) Act, 2024 (Act X of 2024) vide this office order No. 683/DC/Sec. Br./ATK dated 16th June 2025 in order to avoid the situation to be more aggravated and worsen.

7. Besides above, effective tick management is the cornerstone of CCHF prevention in cattle markets. Animals should be treated with acaricides before being transported to market. Regular application of tick repellents and maintaining cleanliness in holding areas reduces the tick burden. Additionally, market authorities can mandate tick treatment as a requirement for market entry.

8. Respective Assistant Commissioners shall ensure that proper Check Posts are established by the staff of Addl. Director Livestock Attock at following points in their respective areas: -

1. Jhari Kass.
2. Attock Khurd.
3. Khushhal Garh.
4. Jahanaian Chowk.
5. Motorway Entry Exit Points.
6. CPEC Entry and Exit Points.

where following SOPs will be followed in letter and spirit: -

- Sep up of Medical and Veterinary Camps.
- Sprinkling of Anti-Tick Spray.
- Arrangements for necessary Anti-Tick Medicines.

9. It is therefore, requested that keeping in view the above, necessary action may please be taken for halting of Cattle Markets in District Attock for a period of Fifteen days in order thwart further expansion of said Endemic in the best interest of general public.



**Deputy Commissioner
Attock**

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1. The Secretary, Govt. of the Punjab, Livestock and Dairy Development Department, Lahore.
2. The Chief Executive Officer, Punjab Cattle Market Management and Development Company (PCMMDC), 94 Babar Block, New Garden Town, Lahore.
3. The Commissioner, Rawalpindi Division, Rawalpindi.
for information, please.
4. The District Police Officer, Attock. He is requested to please necessary police assistance at the above mentioned points for effective control of Inter-District / Inter-Provincial movement of livestock.
5. The CEO, District Health Authority, Attock.
6. All Assistant Commissioners in the District.
7. All other Members of DICC, Attock.
8. The Addl. Director Livestock, Attock.
for information and necessary action.