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**GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB**  
**SERVICES & GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT**  
(IMPLEMENTATION & COORDINATION WING)

Dated Lahore, the 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2025

To

1. The Secretary, Government of the Punjab, Home Department.
2. The Secretary, Government of the Punjab, LG & CD Department.
3. The Secretary, Government of the Punjab, Transport & Mass transit Department.
4. The Secretary, Government of the Punjab, Livestock & Dairy Development Department.
5. The Secretary, Government of the Punjab, Health & Population Department.
6. The Secretary, Government of the Punjab, Auqaf & RA Department.
7. The Inspector General of Police, Punjab.
8. The Inspector General, National Highways & Motorway Police, Islamabad.
9. All Divisional Commissioners in the Punjab.
10. All Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab.

Subject: **MEASURES TO BE TAKEN BY RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS FOR CONTROL OF CONGO FEVER (CRIMEAN-CONGO HEMORRHAGIC FEVER) IN PUNJAB**

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and to state that, in view of the recent emergence of **Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF)** cases and the potential risk of its spread, the following guidelines are issued for strict and immediate compliance by all concerned departments and authorities:

**i. Local Government & Community Development Department / Punjab Cattle Market Management & Development Company:**

- Implement anti-tick spraying, limestone marking, and fly repellent measures in slaughterhouses and cattle markets.
- Ensure availability of anti-tick sprays and ivermectin; separate and treat animals with ectoparasites.
- Initiate similar measures in dairy and gawala colonies.
- Display awareness materials at prominent locations in cattle markets (e.g., banners on disease reporting via ADRS Info App).
- Establish 24/7 helplines and farmer facilitation desks in all cattle markets.
- CEOs of cattle markets must stay in close liaison with Commissioners of high-risk areas (Rawalpindi, Gujrat, Sargodha).

**ii. Transport Department:**

- Issue necessary instructions to goods transport associations and truck loading points for lime application and hygiene compliance.
- Ensure proper disinfection of trucks before loading animals.

**iii. District Administration / Metropolitan & Municipal Corporations / Zila Councils:**

- Launch awareness campaigns for farmers and stakeholders on safe handling of animals and waste.
- Utilize veterinary staff for tick control operations.
- Conduct regular tick-repellent spraying at animal sale points.
- Ensure safe disposal of animal waste and control of fly breeding.
- Enforce use of protective gear (gloves, long-sleeved clothing) for animal handlers.
- Disseminate public awareness messages via social media, FM radio, and local media.
- Disinfect and limewash walls/floors and seal cracks in slaughterhouses, cattle markets, and tanneries.
- No animal shall be allowed entry/exit from cattle markets without prior veterinary inspection.
- Animal sale/purchase shall remain under DC supervision; animals infested with ticks are strictly prohibited for trade.

**iv. Health & Population Department, Punjab:**

- Follow the advisory issued by the Center for Disease Control (CDC), NIH Islamabad (dated 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2025).
- Focus on early symptom identification, timely lab testing (as per NIH criteria), and reporting ([www.nih.org.pk](http://www.nih.org.pk)).

**v. Punjab Police / National Highways & Motorway Police:**

- Facilitate and support L&DD staff at all established check-posts at provincial entry points.
- Ensure cooperation at Motorway toll plazas for setting up anti-tick/screening posts.
- Provide security to staff working round-the-clock at anti-tick checkpoints.

2. I am further directed to convey that all concerned departments are requested to ensure immediate implementation of the above directions in letter and spirit to prevent any further spread of the disease.

  
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**PC:**

1. Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Punjab.
2. Additional Secretary (Gen) / Staff Officer to Chief Secretary, Punjab.
3. PS to Secretary (I&C), S&GAD.
4. PS to Secretary, Government of the Pakistan, Ministry of Communication, Islamabad.
5. PS to Secretary, Government of the Pakistan, Ministry of Interior, Islamabad.