

## **Animal Data Recording**

The producer shall maintain the health, breeding and production records of animals maintained in the farm. Each animal will be identified with a unique identification number with ear tags as specified by International Committee on Animal Records (ICAR), as adopted by India.

**Animal Identification:** In case of cattle / buffalo, sheep and goat each animal will be applied identification device as prescribed by ICAR and could be two-way plastic ear tag (laser-printed numeric and in bar code) or three-way (additional RFID micro-chip) identification number of the animal. In case of birds, flock may be identified. The identification devices of the out-going animals shall not be recycled and used on other animals.

**Animal Data Recording:** The data of the animal should be recorded preferably in digital format so that data retrieval is convenient. The animal data should be accessible to the veterinarian and the inspection Authority. Following data for each animal should be recorded in case of ruminants:

- Parent details: Identification numbers and details of dam and sire  
The Competent Authority may relax during the initial period, so specified, the condition of details of sire in case of ruminants and pigs.
  - Source: Whether in farm or purchased
  - Purchase details: Date of purchase, date of introduction in the farm, details of the earlier owner
  - Animal Details: Date of birth, parity number
  - Breeding Details: Details of dates of services, sire used, drying off, calving
  - Production Details: Weight gain, milk produced (Minimum one record per month of lactation) in case of cow and buffalo
  - Sale Details: In case of sheep and goat weight at the time of sale, reasons for sale, the purchaser details
  - Health Details: All sickness treatment, diagnostic tests results, vaccination, deworming, surgeries, etc.
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