



**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
FISHERIES & ANIMAL RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT**



Veterinary Dispensary (VD)

A Veterinary Dispensary (VD) is the unit of Veterinary and Animal Husbandry service delivery mechanism at Block level. Each VD is headed by a Block Veterinary Officer, in the rank of OVS Group-A (Junior Branch). To make the Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services accessible to every part of the State, Blocks having wide area of operation and higher number of livestock population have additional Veterinary Dispensary within the same Block. These additional VDs are headed by VAS of the rank of OVS Group-B and works closely with the BVO in the respective blocks. Currently, there exist 541 Veterinary Dispensaries in the State. Out of these, 314 are located at Block Headquarters and rest 227 in the peripheral area having potential for animal husbandry activities.

At Block Headquarter, the VD is headed by a Block Veterinary Officer (BVO) assisted by one Additional Veterinary Assistant Surgeon (AVAS) and one VAS, MVU. There are Mobile Veterinary Units functioning in all the Blocks of the State and are being managed by the Block Headquarter Veterinary Dispensaries.

Besides, one Attendant is posted to the VD. A Veterinary Dispensary irrespective of its location is in-charge of supervising some Livestock Aid Centres (LACs). The numbers of Livestock Aid Centres vary from VD to VD taking into account the area of operation and livestock population.

There is a basket of services provided by the VD viz. Animal Healthcare Services, Organisation of Health Camps, Artificial Insemination, Pregnancy Diagnosis, Castration, Extension Services, Livestock Insurance, Fodder Related Services, Nutritional Management Services, Advisory Services etc. A VD is the major unit of service delivery in Veterinary Department.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES AT VD INCLUDES :

01. Veterinary health check-up, treatment and issue of medicines for the health care of animals and birds.
02. Vaccination against contagious diseases shall be administered after charging user fees from the farmer.
03. Artificial insemination for reproduction and upgradation of the quality of the species of cows, she buffalos and goats.
04. Pregnancy test on animals 90 days after they have undergone artificial insemination.
05. Treatment for curing infertility in cows, buffalos and goats.
06. Organising animal health camps.
07. Laboratory testing for disease diagnosis and in the case of those tests which are not available in the dispensary, refer to concerned District Disease Diagnostic Laboratory.
08. Proper measures to curb animal and bird borne diseases.
09. Treatment of pet animals and birds.
10. Facilitation of insurance for animals and birds.
11. Knowledge dissemination activities related to animal husbandry sector.
12. Technical assistance to farmers for their self-employment.
13. Treatment for animals at door step in case of emergencies.
14. In cases of surgeries, which are not available at the dispensary, but become necessary he/ she shall refer the case to District Veterinary Hospital.
15. Based on the actual demand and supply for the year the anticipated requirement of medicine for the next year shall be estimated at VD level.
16. VD maintains proper stock account of the medicines procured and its supply.
17. All records with regard to the treatment of birds and animals are maintained and kept in the VD.

DISTRICT-WISE SANCTIONED STRENGTH OF BVO / VAS / AVAS

Sl.No.	Name of the District	Sanctioned Strength	
		BVO / Specialists (OVS Class-I (Junior Branch))	VAS / AVAS (OVS Class-II)
01	Angul	8	26
02	Balasore	11	35
03	Bargarh	11	33
04	Bhadrak	6	22
05	Bolangir	17	40
06	Boudh	2	12
07	Cuttack	33	44
08	Deogarh	2	9
09	Dhenkanal	7	28
10	Gajapati	6	19
11	Ganjam	26	63
12	Jagatsinghpur	7	23
13	Jajpur	9	30
14	Jharsuguda	4	16
15	Kalahandi	14	35
16	Kandhamal	13	34
17	Kendrapada	8	25
18	Keonjhar	13	37
19	Khordha	30	33
20	Koraput	15	41
21	Malkangiri	6	22
22	Mayurbhanj	25	70
23	Nawarangpur	9	28
24	Nayagarh	7	26
25	Nuapada	4	15
26	Puri	10	28
27	Rayagada	10	29
28	Sambalpur	15	31
29	Subarnapur	5	18
30	Sundargarh	18	49
	District Total:	351	921
31	Directorate	4	4
	State Total:	355	925