

DECREE OF THE PRESIDENT OF UKRAINE

On Measures aimed to stabilize the Situation on the Consumer Market and develop Livestock Husbandry in 2001 - 2002

In order to improve the situation on the consumer market, to stabilize prices for products of animal origin and to promote development of livestock husbandry under conditions of reformation of the agrarian sector in Ukraine's economy, **I hereby decree that:**

1. During the first half of 2001, the Council of Ministers of the Crimean Autonomous Republic and local State Administrations must undertake measures aimed:

to establish service cooperatives and other business entities providing services to agricultural producers in the selection and reproduction of agricultural animals, veterinary support, supplies of fodder, supplies of vitamins, purchases and sale of animal products as well as sale of pedigree (genetic) resources of agricultural animals and commodity cattle at auctions;

to conclude with agricultural producers, including private household farms, agreements for the purchase of animal products, in particular on conditions of reciprocal sale of young animals and poultry, fodder, animal protection means etc.;

to promote that agricultural producers, in first place (peasant) farms and personal household farms, are provided with female livestock of agricultural animals;

to allocate, beginning in 2001, budgetary outlays earmarked for anti-epizootic measures and support of production of animal and plant products to the agricultural producers, including personal household farms;

to establish points of veterinary services and artificial impregnation of animals in each village and rural populated settlement;

to establish effectively functioning stud-farms in order to resolve problems of providing business entities and personal household farms with horse pulling power and manufacturing the necessary horse harness and accessories;

to accelerate development of commercial poultry farming and swine-breeding by way of effective use of available capacities at selection centers, breeding and commercial farms, processing and service enterprises;

to perfect effective models for inter-industry integration and attraction of investments into livestock husbandry, in particular aimed at improvements of pedigree and reproductive qualities of agricultural animals, breeding of cattle and poultry of meat breeds and crosses, restructuring of processing enterprises and expansion of production of competitive products;

to objectively assess the status of development of livestock husbandry, subject to the introduction of statistical reporting on indicators of livestock husbandry development at enterprises, (peasant) farms and personal household farms;

to constantly highlight progress in the implementation of measures as are contemplated by this Decree and other measures for procuring stabilization of the situation on the consumer market and development of livestock husbandry in and through mass media.

3. The Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine must:

) develop and approve by 1 June 2001:

a Program for Stabilization and Development of Livestock Husbandry and Poultry Farming for 2001 - 2004;

procedures for provision of State support to agricultural producers and stimulation of the agricultural producers' selling, including through commodity exchanges and auctions, of young bovine animals in heightened weight condition to procurement organizations and processing enterprises;

b) ensure in a prescribed manner that state centralized investments are allocated to selection centers and enterprises that are engaged in breeding business in order to finish and fit out uncompleted constructions with equipment for the conduct of selection and breeding activities;

c) undertake appropriate measures aimed:

to broadly involve personal household farms into participating in a tender for choosing performers of the State program for selection in animal husbandry and poultry farming, and into using funds of the Ukrainian State Budget appropriated for

implementation of this program, in first place, for purposes of development of the selection system and formation of the market for pedigree resources;

to complete formation of the system of the State Breeding Service;

to direct a portion of funds earmarked in the Ukrainian State Budget with an aim to fund measures concerned with purchases of domestic agricultural machinery under financial leasing arrangements, to supply agricultural producers, in particular personal household farms, processing enterprises and processing cooperatives with machinery and equipment for livestock husbandry and poultry farming;

d) develop and submit by 1 June 2001 to the Supreme Rada of Ukraine for consideration draft laws dealing with the introduction of licensing for certain types of commercial activities in breeding business for livestock husbandry and tax exemptions of transactions involving agricultural producers' importation (forwarding) into Ukraine's customs territory of pedigree (genetic) resources of agricultural animals, as well as machinery and equipment for the conduct of breeding business in livestock husbandry.

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