



PRESS RELEASE

Press Release No.152/21

Notification

Shillong, April 30, 2021: Based on the test result of pig samples dated 13.04.2021 received from ICAR-National Institute of High Security Animal Diseases (NIHSAD) Bhopal and confirmation of African Swine Fever outbreak in Meghalaya as per report received in email from NERDDL dated 13th April, 2021 and with a view to prevent, control and eradicate the scheduled disease, in exercise of the power conferred under Section 6 and Section 20 of the Prevention and Control of Infectious and Contagious Diseases in Animals Act, 2009, the Government of Meghalaya in a Notification issued on 27th April, 2021 has declared the villages viz, Mawlai Nongkwar, Pig Farm Nongpyiur, Thangsning, Kseh Pyndeng, Nongkseh and Lygkyrdem in East Khasi Hills District; Raitong, Umran Dairy and Patarim in Ri Bhoi District and Pig Farm Nongstoin in West Khasi Hills District as **‘epicentres’** of African Swine Fever disease.

As per the National Action Plan for control, containment and eradication of African Swine Fever prepared by the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India, the restrictions are applicable with immediate effect in the villages under 1 (one) km radius surrounding infected premises (epicenter of disease) designated as “Infected Zone” and in all villages falling under 10 km radius surrounding infected premises (epicenter of disease) designated as “Surveillance Zone”.

This was informed by the Principal Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, A.H & Veterinary Department. (MIPR)