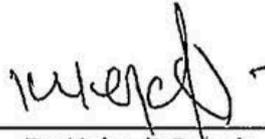


- Cooperate with government officials carrying out further disease investigations.

Farmers, members of the public and stakeholders are urged to remain vigilant and **report any signs** of illness in livestock to the nearest **Department of Veterinary Service or Botswana Police Service** offices.

**For more information please contact the National Emergency Operations Centre; telephone 3934505 and 3934510 or toll free – 0800600130 or WhatsApp: 77702971 or email – [fmdneoc@gov.bw](mailto:fmdneoc@gov.bw)**

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### PRESS RELEASE

#### SUSPECTED CASES OF FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE IN ZONE 6B – NORTH EAST DISTRICT, JACKALAS 1

Farmers, members of the public and stakeholders are informed of **suspected cases of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD)** at **Jackalas 1 crush** in the **Tsamaya Extension Area** of the **Masunga District (Disease Control Zone 6B)**.

While investigations are ongoing, farmers and stakeholders are advised of the following disease prevention measures:

- Movement of all **cloven-hoofed animals** is prohibited, except within **Disease Control Zone 2 (Ngamiland, Okavango)** and **Zone 1 (Chobe)**. All issued permits are revoked with immediate effect.
- Movement of **fresh products (meat, fresh milk, etc.)** from cloven-hoofed animals between zones **is NOT allowed** with immediate effect.
- Movement of livestock feeds, trophies, skins (dikgole), and hooves out of **Zones 6B, 3C (Maitengwe), 3B and 7** is **NOT allowed** with immediate effect.
- **Export** of cloven-hoofed animals and their fresh products is prohibited.
- **Importation** of all cloven-hoofed animals is suspended. All issued permits are revoked with immediate effect.
- Importation of **processed products (pasteurised milk, UHT milk, cooked products)** is allowed.

Farmers are requested to:

- Take care of their animals to prevent the potential spread of the disease.
- Herd and kraal their animals to prevent them from straying into other districts or neighbouring countries.
- Ensure that cattle are fully identified with **BAITS ear tags, zonal brands and owner brands**.