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**TO ALL:** Chief Veterinarians,  
State Veterinarians  
Control Animal Health Technicians.  
Abattoir Association of Namibia  
Livestock Auctioneers & Livestock Producers Organization.  
The Meat Board of Namibia & Meat Corporation of Namibia,  
Namibia Agricultural Union & Namibia National Farmers Union.  
Namibia Stud Breeders Association, Brokers & Traders Association.

**RE: URGENT SUBMISSION OF OUTSTANDING ANIMAL HEALTH DECLARATION FORMS.**

The Animal Health Declaration is an official declaration that is required to be completed by all livestock farmers every six months. The periods for which declarations are completed are from January to June and July to December each year. It is compulsory that livestock farmers submit the declarations, which must reach the district state veterinary office within 30 days after the end of each reporting period.

Nevertheless, only very few farmers have submitted these forms.

The information collected through this initiative is very crucial for planning, decision making and policy formulation by the Directorate of Veterinary Services (DVS) as well as by other institutions.

The purpose of this circular is to inform all relevant parties that due to poor submission of Animal Health Declaration forms, DVS has therefore set a deadline for all livestock farmers to submit all pending Animal Health Declaration forms before or by latest 31 July 2019.

Failure to submit will result in the closure of the establishment/farm until such a time the required documentation is submitted.

All stakeholders are kindly requested to bring this circular to the attention of their members emphasizing on the importance of doing so.



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*The last circular dealt with fast-tracking the processing of staff overtime claims*