

Policy Engagement: supporting improved policy design and implementation



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Policy engagement

- To improve public policy and its implementation built on relevant evidence and experience.
- In many countries livestock policies are not necessarily lacking, but rather lack accompanying standards, guidelines and implementation plans.

Policies appropriate for the 21st century

- Support evolution of poultry production systems in line with wider food system transformations.
- Designed to achieve outcomes including improved productivity, safety, nutritional value, climate resilience and biodiversity gains.
- Approaches taken to transform poultry agrifood systems to reduce threats associated with avian influenza, foodborne pathogens and antimicrobial resistance should complement wider food systems actions to achieve synergistic outcomes.

Hub policy engagement

- One Health approach crucial to dealing effectively and efficiently with complex policy issues.
- Each Hub country prioritized policy issues of importance to the specific circumstances and used the One Health approach to engage with policy makers across a range of sectors.
- Bangladesh: identifying options for improving One Health implementation, public private partnership and policy awareness among poultry farmers.
- India: impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on One Health implementation.
- Sri Lanka: mapping livestock-related policies and developing a draft poultry policy taking gender and equity across production systems into account.
- Viet Nam: bringing human health, agriculture, environment, industry and trade sectors together to reduce antimicrobial resistance.