



# MAAIF

Ministry of Agriculture  
Animal Industry and Fisheries

## **CABINET DECISIONS ON THE STRATEGY FOR CONTROL AND ERADICATION OF FMD IN UGANDA AS PRESENTED BY MAAIF**

Cabinet sitting today Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at State House – Entebbe under the Chairmanship of H.E the President discussed among other things the strategy by the Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries (MAAIF) to control and eradicate Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) in Uganda and made the following decisions targeting the immediate/short, medium and long term:

- i) Approved immediate sourcing of 10 million doses of FMD vaccine to enable scaling up of ring vaccination in the affected and neighboring districts at high risk;
- ii) Approved plans by government to create a revolving fund to enable procurement of sufficient FMD vaccines periodically in the Country to facilitate compulsory bi-annual vaccination of the susceptible domestic animal population.
- iii) Approved a policy proposition that requires farmers to be paying for the vaccines while government pays for the cost of vaccine administration, transportation and storage.
- iv) Resolved that when the revolving fund has been created and adequate vaccine stocks have started coming into the Country, vaccination of all susceptible domestic animals be made compulsory. Proof of vaccination will be a pre-condition for any farmer to sell any animal and/or animal products.

I appeal to fellow livestock farmers and stakeholders to understand and appreciate these efforts as we steadily move to eradicate FMD in Uganda just like other animal diseases like rinderpest were eradicated.

Thank you

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