



# Prevention & Emergency Preparedness

# Project Proposals

- Evaluation of Veterinary Services
- Simulation Exercise
- Farmers Registration/Registration of Endemic bird Species on the verge of extinction (captive population)
- Emergency kits/Protection gear/disinfection and training in the use of

# Focus Areas

- AI Task Force
- Economic and Social Impact Assessment
- AI Plan/ Programme
- Legislation
- Animal Movement and Quarantine Facilities
- Farm/ Cottage Processors Biosecurity and Traceability

# Introduction

The Challenge to prevent the introduction of the Avian Influenza in the Caribbean is a major task for all countries.

- Geography (chain of islands)
- Many unmanned islands
- Lack of knowledge of endemic wildlife)
- Trading Patterns (smuggling, contraband)
- Dependence on Tourism

# AI Task Force Components

MOH, MOA, MOF, MOT, Public Utilities, Port Authorities, Customs, Immigration, Private Associations (Consumer Grps, Wildlife Associations, Humane Societies, Fishermans Associations), International Agencies, Emergency Preparedness Agencies

# Issues that impact on Prevention

- Human Resource
  - Numbers
  - Capacity
  - Capability
  - Training opportunities
  - Budgetary allocation
- Quarantine

# Quarantine

- Contraband & Smuggling
- Lack of holding facilities at ports of entry
- Communications between port authorities, customs and quarantine inspectors
- Port Surveillance
- Treatment of waste at the ports of entry
- Public awareness, esp. among importer & traveling public

# Quarantine

- Private / Public Partnership
- Risk Assessment
- Auditing System
- Standard Operating Procedures

# Economic & Social Impact Assessment

- Assess contribution to the GDP
- Impact on Vet & Med Facilities
- Impact on Poultry Industry
- Impact of Cost Recovery
- Impact on Tourism & Trade
- Impact on Food Security
- Impact on Social Services

# Economic & Social Impact Assessment

- Social changes e.g. diet
- Changes in food services
- Comparative assessment (to do or not to do)

# AI Plan/Programme

- National Plan Development: May 1<sup>st</sup> 2006
- National Programme Development : June 1<sup>st</sup> 2006 (health sector).

# Legislation

- Standard Operating Procedures
- Enactment & Implementation of Animal Health and Food Safety Legislation in OECS and Barbados

# Animal Movements & Quarantine Facilities

- Provisions made under the Animal (International Movement & Disease ) Act
- Establish SOP's
- Communication for movement of game birds (fighting cocks, racing pigeons)

# Farm/Cottage Processor Biosecurity & Traceability

- Provisions made under CPA draft documents, Cottage Processor & Biosecurity documents



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