

**Johne's Disease Control And Monitoring Policy
(2001)**

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1. This policy shall come into force with immediate effect and shall hereinafter be referred as Johne's Disease Monitoring And Control Policy (2001).
2. The initial phase of the program shall encompass all dairy cattle in the state and also all beef cattle belonging to the department. Beef cattle from private farms will be included into the program at a later stage.
3. The Complement Fixation Test will be employed as the official serological test. Bacteriological examination will be employed as and when necessary.
4. All cattle shall undergo serological testing annually.
5. An animal that shows a seronegative reaction on the first test shall not required to undergo further test. An animal that shows a seropositive reaction on the first test shall undergo a subsequent second serological test and a bacterial examination. If then animal again shows a seropositive reaction on the second test it shall undergo a third serological test.
6. An animal shaal be considered positive if they fulfill one of the following criteria:
 - a) Seropositive on 3 consecutive test;
 - b) Seropositive on any one test with positive on bacteriological examination;
 - c) Seropositive on any test with good clinical evidence of Johne's disease;
 - d) Positive on bacteriological examination irrespective of serological status of the animal.
7. All positive reactors shall be culled.
8. The Epidemiology Section of the Animal Disease Research Center in Kepyayan shall be responsible to co-ordinate all effort for this Johne's disease testing program.
9. The Veterinary Officer In charge shall be responsible to conduct the serum collection for all cattle in their respective district. All serum shall be forwarded to the Epidemiology Section of the Animal Disease Research Center.
10. All imported breeder cattle shall be tested on arrival into the state of Sabah. Any cattle that is seropositive on the first test shall be considered a positive reactor and rejected or culled.
11. The animal Johne's disease testing program at district level should be completed by 30 November of each year.

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UNTESTED CATTLE

