

Animal Health Surveillance Data Quality Assessment: The Case Study in Karsa Woreda, Jimma Zone, Oromia, Ethiopia, 2021

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Abstract

Good surveillance data quality is vital for accurate planning and to apply timely and appropriate interventions. Data quality refers to completeness, accuracy and timeliness of data gathered. Despite consistent monthly reporting and clinical case registration, so far there is no document which could provide evidence for the quality status of surveillance data of the livestock sector at woreda level in Ethiopia. In action taken in Liberia after the quality audit, there was remarkable improvement in the quality of the data produced. Retrospective case study was conducted in Karsa woreda of Jimma zone Oromia regional state. The objective of the study is to assess the animal health surveillance data of the woreda and to provide new recommendations. The DOVAR format of the woreda from 2015-2020 and clinic case book were reviewed for the completeness, accuracy and timeliness. The records of data quality indicators in each variable of source document was counted and entered into Microsoft excel sheet. It then line listed and displayed in proportion. The overall data quality and related issues of the woreda were assessed by using a structured interview questions. The study shows that the assessed DOVARs are 83.3% complete. In the assessed reports there are 6.6% missing data, 35% inaccurate data and 31.6% late reports. This study also indicates that 89% of the sampled registered cases in the case book have missing data. The problem of accuracy in the case book is found to be 27.5%. The surveillance data of the woreda have the problem of completeness, accuracy and timeliness. Data collectors didn't received training on surveillance. The woreda retain the collected data but do not analyze it. The woreda do not have clearly stated objectives for collecting surveillance data. These gaps lead them to have poor data quality DOVARs and case book. Therefore the woreda should develop clear objectives about the data that is needed; develop a clear plan about the best way of obtaining the data; use standardized formats that can capture the data required; train people on how to collect accurate and reliable data; store and retain data.

Keywords: Accuracy, Completeness, Data quality, Surveillance Data, Timeliness

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1. BACKGROUND

Good surveillance data quality is vital for accurate planning and to apply timely and appropriate interventions. Data is a collection of items of information. It can be defined as the elements of measurements recorded during data collection. It is the collected data that create information when it is further processed which will then improve the knowledge of end users. Knowledge is then assessed to improve the understanding of the researchers which provides wisdom. Wisdom is required to take evidence based decisions for action (FAO).

Data quality refers to completeness, accuracy and timeliness of data gathered and that they convey the intended meaning. There are data quality principles which are essential to ensure data quality. It begins by ensuring that data is gathered in a standard way. To ensure good quality data it is important to have clear objectives about the data that is needed; develop a clear plan about the best way of obtaining the data; use standardized formats that can capture the data required; train people on how to collect accurate and reliable data; store and retain data so that it can be managed for future use and provide feedback to stakeholders using the data (FAO). ISAVET program of FAO is designed to link the theoretical data quality audit principles learnt in the classroom with the actual work place animal health surveillance data.

The study was conducted in Karsa woreda of Jimma zone Oromia regional state, Ethiopia. The woreda is located 325 km from Addis Ababa in the southwestern direction. According to Jimma zone livestock development office there are thirty two kebeles (thirty PAs and two kebeles) in the woreda. Most recent record indicates that the total population of the woreda is 221,945 (107,725 males and 114,220 females). According to the data recorded in the woreda office the livestock population of the woreda in 2013 E.C. is; cattle: 325,025; horse: 8,509; donkey: 18,550; mule: 2,075; sheep: 75,851; goat: 39,316; poultry: 85,492 and dog: 4,477. There is 90% woynadega and 10% dega agro ecology with temperature range of 15-27°C. The woreda has one "B" type; one "C" type; four "D" type and thirteen non standard veterinary clinics/posts. There is one private veterinary pharmacy in the woreda. Veterinary workforce of the woreda is described in the table below:

Table 1: Veterinary workforce and Infrastructure of Kersa woreda

Qualification	MSc	DVM	BVSc	AHA	VLT	AHT	Total
Number	1	3	4	23	1	1	33
Vet posts/ clinics	Standard				Non standard		
	A	B	C	D			
Number	-	1	1	4	13		19

The data quality audit in a case study conducted in the public health service of Grand Bassa County, Liberia helped to identify key factors influencing surveillance data quality in the district. In action taken after the quality audit, there was remarkable improvement in the accuracy and completeness of the data produced (*Joseph A., et. al., 2015*). Despite consistent monthly reporting and clinical case registration, so far there is no document which could provide evidence for the quality status of surveillance data of the livestock sector at woreda level in Ethiopia. This study was conducted to assess the animal health surveillance data quality of the woreda and to provide new significant recommendations which will help to apply basic principles of ensuring data quality. This will finally let to improve the previous practices and produce quality data which will be an input for other stakeholders.

1.1. General objective

The general objective of the study was to assess and describe the surveillance data quality and related gaps in Kersa woreda Jimma zone Oromia regional state Ethiopia and provide recommendations.

1.2. Specific objectives

The specific objectives of the study were to:

- Assess how data is collected and managed in the woreda;
- Assess the surveillance data and information flow;
- Review archived DOVAR reports and case books to assess the quality of data;
- Assess the awareness of the stakeholders about data use and
- Assess the link of laboratory with field investigation.

2. METHODS

2.1 Study Area

The study was conducted in Karsa woreda of Jimma zone Oromia regional state, Ethiopia. The woreda is located 325 km from Addis Ababa in the southwestern direction. There are thirty two kebeles (thirty PAs and two kebeles) in the woreda. Most recent record indicates that the total population of the woreda is 221,945 (107,725 males and 114,220 females). Serbo type “B” veterinary clinic is selected for the study.

2.2 Data collection and processing

Retrospective study with quantitative and the qualitative approaches is used to conduct the study. Key informant interview, retained DOVAR report and clinic case book data quality assessments were applied. A checklist was developed and used to interview the responsible woreda professionals who are involved in animal health surveillance. The responses obtained were evaluated according to the data quality principles. Archived disease outbreak and vaccination activity reports (DOVAR) from 2015-2020 were reviewed for the quality assessment based on data quality principles and national standards. Clinic case book were also reviewed for the completeness and accuracy. The data quality indicators and major findings were counted and entered into Microsoft excel sheet.

2.3 Data analysis

The recorded data were analyzed using Microsoft excel and presented using graphs. The responses for the queries obtained from the interviewee were evaluated according to the data quality principles.

2.4 Study Variables

Completeness, accuracy and timeliness are the attributes considered in this study.

Completeness: the percentage of blank or unknown data, not zero/missing. All data should be in a disaggregated form to permit further analysis.

Accuracy: the percentage of data variables on the collection form without an error: examples - missing data, incorrect coding, transposed error, incorrect units, incorrect/ inconsistent format.

Timeliness: the percentage of reports from the sub locals, and facilities that were received on time.

3. RESULTS

3.1 Information obtained from the interview

3.1.1 Surveillance data source, collection, flow and analysis

Kebele animal health workers collect surveillance data from the farmers. They use a standard reporting format for vaccination and other animal health service activity report. However, the occurrence of disease outbreak in a peasant association is reported to the woreda by phone and/or orally. The woreda then use DOVAR format to submit to regional veterinary laboratory and zone livestock office. The responsible professional in the woreda assess the completeness, accuracy and timeliness of the reports and take corrective measures.

Surveillance data flow of the woreda can be described in the following diagram:

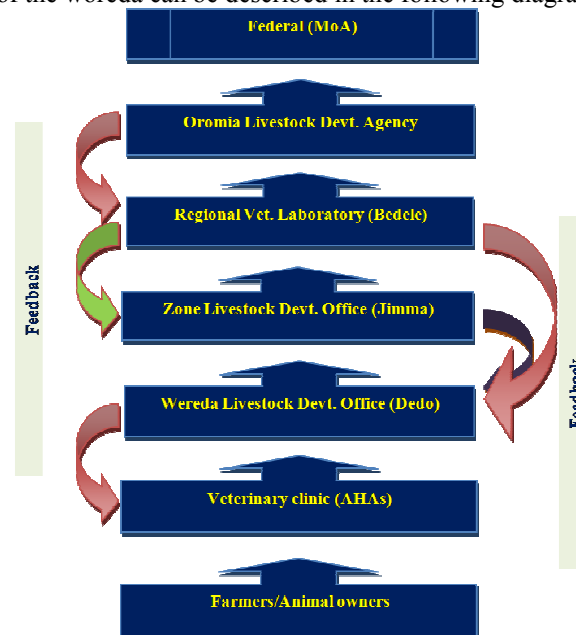


Figure 8: Animal health surveillance data flow in Kersa woreda

This study consider DOVAR and clinic case registration book as surveillance data. The woreda retain these data in their office as permanent document. However the woreda did not analyze the data they stored in animal-place-time.

3.1.2 Surveillance data benefit (usefulness)

Animal health workers at the woreda level did not received training about surveillance. This gap leads these professionals not to understand the benefit of surveillance data.

3.1.3 Awareness of data use by stakeholders

Though the interviewee said that the surveillance data (case book) is used to know about the disease distribution, to refer back previous cases for different purposes, to build trust of owner; the woreda have no clearly stated objectives for collecting surveillance data. The clinic case recorder said that the case book data seem to have importance but not sure. According to the responsible woreda professional's response surveillance data collectors have no awareness on what will be done with the collected data.

3.1.4 Use of laboratory in field investigation/surveillance

Bedelle veterinary regional laboratory is the responsible institution to provide diagnostic support for the woreda. However, no sample was submitted to the laboratory during the past six year period. Thus it is not possible to speak about the time required to collect and deliver samples to the laboratory and the time required to receive feedback about laboratory test result. This shows that there is weak link between laboratory and field investigation.

3.2 Assessment of DOVARs

From the total 72 DOVAR format which are expected to be sent every month in the past six years, only 60 reports were found in the woreda office. Reports sent in 2015, 2016, and 2017 were complete while 11, 9 and 4 reports were encountered for 2018, 2019 and 2020 respectively. The available reports can be described in the following (Table: 2).

Table 2: Available DOVAR formats between 2015 and 2020 in Kersa woreda.

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
DOVARs	12	12	12	11	9	4

These available reports were assessed against the key data quality indicators. There were only 6.7% (4/60) (two LSD and two FMD) outbreak reports in the past six years. The rest of the reports (93%) are zero reports. It is reported through the usual informal way to the woreda and the woreda veterinarians conduct field investigation. Out of sixty (60) reviewed reports 6.6% (4/60) have missing data while 35% (21/60) have a problem of accuracy. On the other hand 31.6% (19/60) of reports have a problem of timeliness.

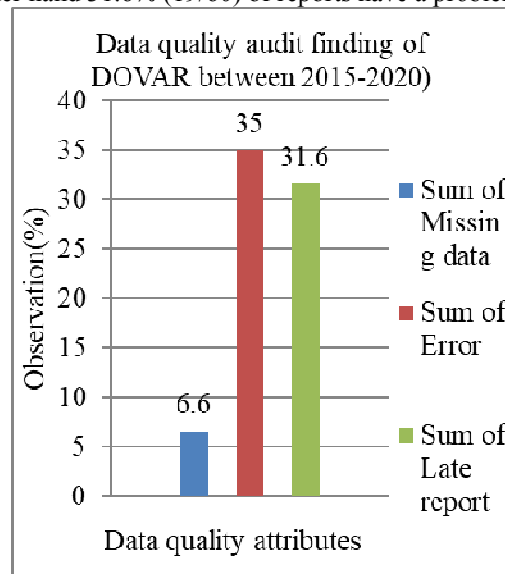
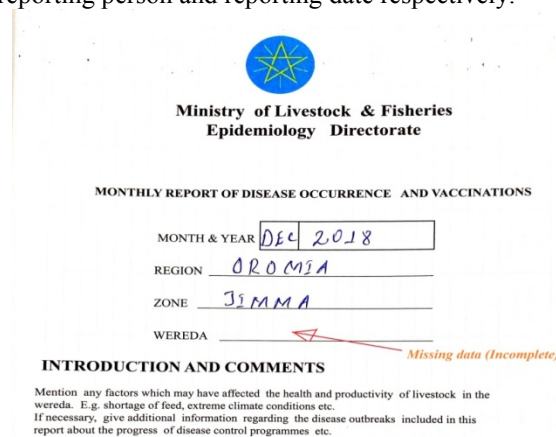


Figure 1: Data quality audit findings from DOVAR of Kersa woreda

From the total missing data counted, 25% (1/4), 50% (2/4) and 25% (1/4) is related to the name of reporting woreda, phone number of the reporting person and reporting date respectively.



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MONTHLY REPORT OF DISEASE OCCURRENCE AND VACCINATIONS

MONTH & YEAR: DEC 2018

REGION: OROMIA

ZONE: JIMMA

WEREDA: _____ *Missing data (Incomplete)*

INTRODUCTION AND COMMENTS

Mention any factors which may have affected the health and productivity of livestock in the woreda. E.g. shortage of feed, extreme climate conditions etc.
If necessary, give additional information regarding the disease outbreaks included in this report about the progress of disease control programmes etc.

Figure 2: Evidence of missing data (the reporting woreda name)

3. DETAILS OF EACH OUTBREAK REPORTED IN SUMMARY TABLE. Page 3

Disease name and/or Serotype if known	Outbreak Reference Number	Specific Location (P/Village)		Diagnosis %*, **	Status of Date of Report	Date Reported	Date of First Case	Spp	In Report of Month			During Outbreak				Prevalence or Risk (PAR)	
		Log	Lat						No. of Cases	No. of Deaths	No. of Strains	Total No. of Cases	Total No. of Deaths	Total No. of Strains (net)	Age group affected		Total no. of animals (No.)
1	2	3	30	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17

*C - Confirmed by laboratory
 *S - Suspected
 Log - Longitude
 Lat - Latitude
 Missing data (phone number of the reporting person is missed)

**C - Continuing
 **E - Ended during month
 Inaccurate data (date is written in non gregorian calendar)

Signed: Name: AHMED NIGSA Designation: EVSc Date: 21/11/2020
 Phone number: _____ (011) 555-1234
 Epidemiology Directorate

Figure 3: Evidence of missing data (the phone no. of the reporting person) and Date in Non Gregorian calendar
 From the total 35% accuracy problem found 42.8% (9/21) of the reports have typing error (writing the general information on page 1 in small letter which was expected to be written in capital letter). On the other hand 28.5% (6/21) of the reports have no official stamp on it and 14.2% (3/21) have illegible writing. As regards to the timeliness 31.6% (19/60) of reports were received lately.

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MONTHLY REPORT OF DISEASE OCCURRENCE AND VACCINATIONS

MONTH & YEAR: April 2019
 REGION: OROMIA
 ZONE: JIMMA
 WEREDA: KERSA

Non capitalized writing (In accurate; according to the filling guideline of the format)

INTRODUCTION AND COMMENTS

Mention any factors which may have affected the health and productivity of livestock in the wereda. E.g. shortage of feed, extreme climate conditions etc.
 If necessary, give additional information regarding the disease outbreaks included in this report about the progress of disease control programmes etc.

Figure 4: The month is written in non capitalized letter

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & RURAL DEVELOPMENT
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MONTHLY REPORT OF DISEASE OCCURRENCE AND VACCINATIONS

MONTH & YEAR: 28, 2016
 REGION: OROMIA
 ZONE: JIMMA
 WEREDA: KERSA

Incorrect data (month should be written in word)

INTRODUCTION AND COMMENTS

Mention any factors which may have affected the health and productivity of livestock in the Wereda - eg shortage of feed extreme climatic conditions etc.
 If necessary, give additional information regarding the disease outbreaks included in this report about the progress of disease control programmes etc.

Figure 5: Date is written in the blank space of month

3.3 Assessment of clinic case registration book

From the total of 200 reviewed cases in the case registration book of Serbo type “B” veterinary clinic of the woreda 89% (178/200) were found to have missing data and 27.5% (55/200) were found to have errors (Figure 2).

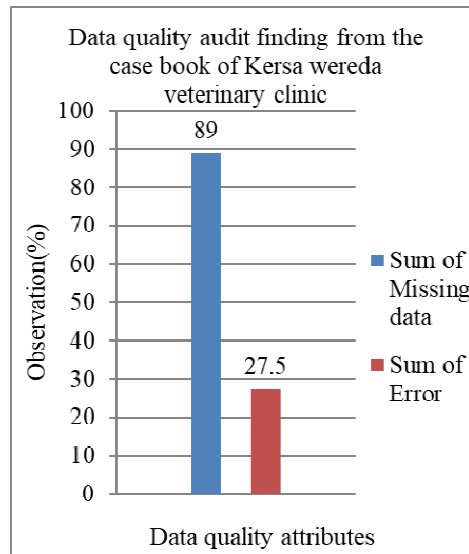


Figure 6: Data quality audit findings from case registration book of Serbo clinic, Kersa wereda

In the case book some of the observations have more than single missing data. Out of the total missing data found 83.1% (148/178), 35.3% (63/178), 28.08% (50/178), 11.7% (21/178), 9.5% (17/178), 2.8% (5/178), 1.6% (3/178) and 1.12% (2/178) are related to the age, clinical finding, diagnosis, treatment, breed, history, sex and species respectively. The highest missing data is observed under the column of age (83.1%). The lowest missing data is counted from the column of species and sex.

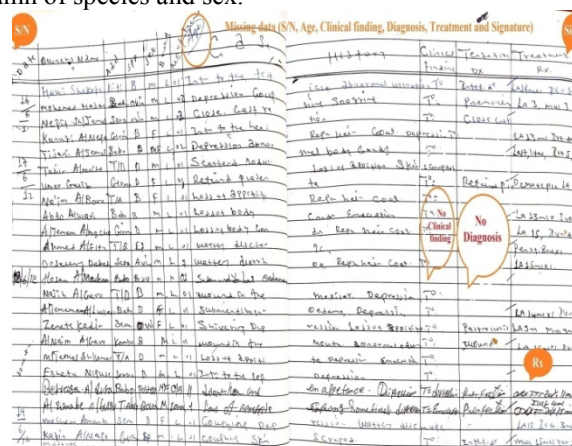


Figure 7: Missing data and errors found in the case book of Kersa wereda Serbo veterinary clinic

On the other side out of the errors found in the case recording book 74.5% (41/55), 18.1% (10/55) and 3.6% (2/55) were observed under the column of treatment, age and sex respectively. Similar to the category of sex 3.6% (2/55) error is detected from the column of diagnosis.

3.4 Information obtained from other observations during the study period

The reviewed disease outbreak and vaccination activity reports (DOVARs) were not stored in an easily accessible way in the office. There is poor file storage mechanism in the wereda.

4 DISCUSSION

The quality of data is dependent on the underlying data collection, management and reporting systems; stronger systems should produce better quality data. This study revealed that there is a defect on the quality of animal health surveillance data of Kersa wereda. There is no well documented study relating with surveillance data quality audit yet which may help us to compare with and discuss the results of the present study. Nevertheless, most institutions might need some improvements in this area. More than 93% of the assessed reports were zero reports.

There is missing data, inaccurate data and problem of timeliness in the assessed DOVARs of Kersa wereda livestock development office. Majority of the data quality problems found were restricted to page 1 (general information) and page 3 (the details of the outbreak reporting person) of the format. The highest (42.8%) inaccurate data is non capitalized writing of the general information on page 1 of DOVAR format. According to the filling guidelines of the format, the general information should be capitalized. Reports should be received

before 18th day of every month. From the total reports assessed during the study period 31.6% is reported after the deadline. This late reporting is probably because of lack of preparedness; which may be related with the availability of the reporting format in the office and delay of reports from the kebeles. Inaccurate data that entered in the format (35%) indicates that there is a gap in understanding the filling guideline.

This study also indicates that 89% of the sampled registered cases in the clinic case registration book have missing data. According to Livestock Development Agency, the standard veterinary clinic case book format include serial number, date, owner's name, PA, species, breed, age, sex, history, clinical signs, diagnosis, treatment and signature. But some of their case registration book pages lack columns for S/N, age, breed and signature. The highest missed data is age (83.1%) which is followed by clinical finding (35.3%). Most of the pages in the case book do not have a column for "age". There are also some pages lacking a column of "clinical finding". Diagnosis (28.08%) is the other variable missed. After filling the whole variables in the case book, the case book recorder miss the clinical finding and diagnosis part because of different reasons. Some of the reasons are negligence, thinking that it is time consuming, having limitation to determine the diagnosis only by depending on inadequate diagnostic technique. History, sex and species are the least missed data in the case book.

The problem of accuracy or error is found to be 27.5% of the reviewed observations in the case book. Out of this the highest (74.3%) is related with treatment. Mostly the column under treatment is left blank or recorded with incomplete information. Though the clinician try to justify that it is because of small space in the case book, this problem emerges from lack of awareness on what will be done with the collected data. In fact the space in the case book is not enough to write the whole information in a single row of the individual case. However this problem can be solved by preparing printed case paper for each case. Negligence is may be the other reason for these problems. The lowest inaccurate data (3.6%) is found in association with diagnosis. Spelling errors were observed while writing the name of the disease diagnosed. There is also mismatch of the history, diagnosis and treatment.

The surveillance data of the woreda is collected from the farmer at clinic level and shared to the woreda livestock development office, zone livestock development office, Bedelle regional veterinary laboratory, Oromia livestock development agency and ministry of agriculture. The clinician interviewed said that they did not received training about animal health surveillance. They do their job with their own knowledge and experience. At the data collection source there is no standard data collection format for an outbreak. Animal health workers at clinic level report an outbreak orally. This leads to lack of documented outbreak reports at the clinic level which can be utilized by different stakeholders. Therefore, the woreda should develop disease outbreak reporting format that can fit with DOVAR. However, there is standard reporting format for their monthly activity report. But still their case book variables do not exactly match with the standard veterinary clinic case book variables (OLFDO, 2017). Though the coordinator reply that they do identify missing values and errors in the data for each variable; there is still missing data and error in the DOVARs and the case book.

The woreda should analyze the data they collect in animal-time-place. Analyzing the collected surveillance data is important to take necessary actions depending on the findings. The woreda has its own objectives and goals with regard to providing good veterinary service. However, they should also develop clearly stated objectives why they are collecting animal health surveillance data. They should effectively compile reports and store in their office as permanent document. In this way they can improve their data management. The data collectors also have inadequate awareness on what will be done with the collected data.

Bedelle veterinary regional laboratory is the responsible laboratory to provide diagnostic support for Kersa woreda. However no sample was submitted to this laboratory during the past six years. This shows that there was no chance of combining laboratory and field data for analysis. Nevertheless, the indicated laboratory has been undergoing supervision to evaluate and provide recommendations about the laboratory work of the woreda clinic.

Animal health team coordinators of the woreda were unable to provide the required DOVAR reports quickly. This is because DOVARs were not stored in an easily accessible way in the office. This indicates that the file storage mechanism of the woreda is weak.

5 CONCLUSION

A strong surveillance system needs to have an effective way of collecting data, analyzing, and interpreting quality surveillance data so that to act accordingly for the welfare and health of the animal and public health as well. To ensure early detection and response to diseases of concern as well as to maintain the health of the livestock there should a strong surveillance at the lowest level. The flow of Kersa woreda animal health surveillance data begins from the farmers. The clinicians do not have outbreak reporting format. Since the data collectors have inadequate awareness on data usefulness, they thought that careful data collection is less important. The surveillance data of the woreda have the problem of completeness, accuracy and timeliness. The woreda make an effort to identify missing data, errors and the timeliness of the reports. However it is not a formally organized activity. They retain the collected data in their office but do not analyze it in animal-place-time. The woreda does not have clearly stated objectives for collecting surveillance data beyond listing some

functions of the collected data. The link of laboratory and field investigation is weak. The data collectors didn't receive training on surveillance. This lack of training leads the woreda to have poor data quality case book and DOVARs.

6 RECOMMENDATION

Depending on the above conclusion, I recommend Kersa woreda livestock development office animal health team that they should:

- ❖ Have clearly stated objectives for collecting animal health surveillance data.
- ❖ Develop a clear plan for obtaining surveillance data.
- ❖ Regularly analyze data at woreda and share information for stakeholder so that to take action based on the findings.
- ❖ Provide training for the frontline animal health workers on surveillance so that to get complete, accurate and timely report.
- ❖ Improve the link of laboratory to support investigation of outbreaks and capacitate woreda clinics to conduct basic laboratory tests.
- ❖ Develop a standard format for kebeles for the reporting of outbreak data that can be aligned with the DOVAR format.
- ❖ Zones and regions (Agency & Laboratory) should provide regular feedback and share summary reports on DOVAR.
- ❖ Develop well designed case book or individual case paper for suitable case registration in the clinics
- ❖ Surveillance data quality assessment should be conducted in a periodic manner.

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8. ANNEXES

Annex: 1

Interview Question

Ministry Of Agriculture Epidemiology Directorate

In-service Applied Veterinary Epidemiology Training (ISAVET) Program

Dear respondent!

I am currently conducting a study entitled as “Assessment of Animal Health Surveillance Data Quality in Kersa District, Jimma, Ethiopia”. The main objective of this interview is to assess the animal health surveillance data quality of Kersa district. I kindly request you to give genuine responses.

1. Description of surveillance system of the woreda

- 1.1 Describe the surveillance data flow of the woreda using diagram(farmer to vet clinic/post to woreda, and to zones and other stakeholders)

2. Data collection

- 2.1 Who collects the surveillance data?

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- 2.2 What are the sources of data?

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- 2.3 Did data collectors receive training on surveillance in the last 3years?

Yes

No

2.4 Is standard reporting format used at the data collection source?

Yes No

2.5 How is the data submitted from the source to the woreda?

2.6 Do you identify missing values (assess completeness) in the data for **each variable**?

Yes No

2.7 Do you identify errors (assess accuracy/correctness) in the data for **each variable**?

Yes No

2.8 Do you identify timely, late or absent reporting from the reporting sites/clinics/kelas?

Yes No

2.9 Describe any actions that have been taken by the woreda to correct late, absent, or incomplete reporting from the reporting sites/clinics/kelas.

2.10 Describe surveillance data storage mechanisms by the woreda.

3. Data analysis

3.1 Do you analyze the data you collect in animal-place-time?

Yes No

3.2 If yes, which display methods do you use (table, map, graphs, or charts)?

4. Surveillance data benefit (Usefulness)

a. Describe the frequency and kind of reports used to share data from one level to the next (the farm or village to vet clinic/woreda; the vet clinic/post to woreda; and woreda to zone).

b. How many surveillance data reports led to conducting field investigations?

c. Describe the feedback mechanism by the woreda on surveillance data quality and performance to vet clinics/posts and farmers.

5. Awareness of data use by stakeholders

5.1. Does the woreda have clear objectives for collecting the surveillance data?

Yes No

5.2. Do the data collectors have awareness on what will be done with the collected data?

Yes No

6. Use of Laboratory in field investigation/surveillance

6.1. Which veterinary laboratory does provide diagnostic support for you?

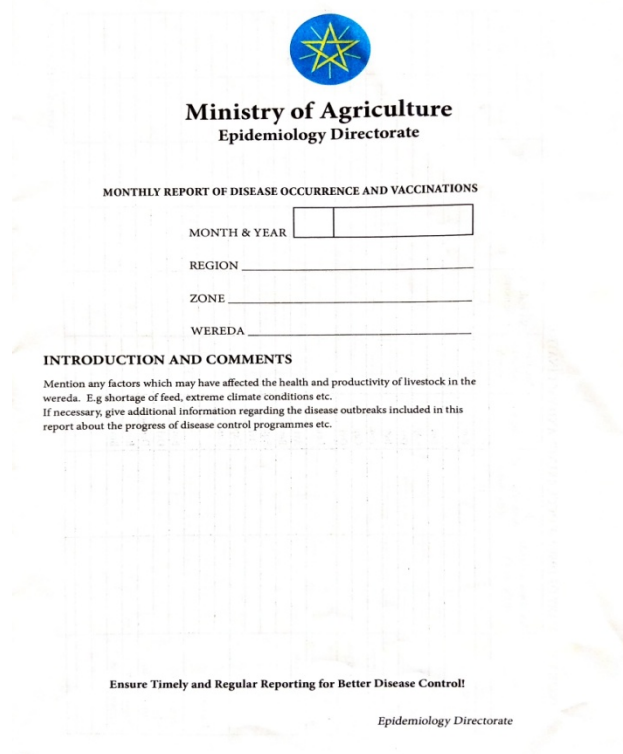
6.2. How many samples were submitted to the laboratory during the past 3 years?

6.3. What is the minimum and maximum time (days, hours) required to collect and deliver samples to the laboratory during the past 3 years?

6.4. What is the minimum and maximum time (days, hours) required to receive feedback about laboratory test results past 3 years?

6.5 Describe if and how laboratory and field data are combined for analysis?

Annex: 2
Standard disease outbreak and vaccination activity report (DOVAR) format (Page 1)



The image shows the cover page of a 'MONTHLY REPORT OF DISEASE OCCURRENCE AND VACCINATIONS' form. At the top center is a logo of the Ministry of Agriculture, featuring a blue circle with a yellow star. Below the logo, the text reads 'Ministry of Agriculture' and 'Epidemiology Directorate'. The title of the report is 'MONTHLY REPORT OF DISEASE OCCURRENCE AND VACCINATIONS'. There are four input fields: 'MONTH & YEAR' (a two-part box), 'REGION', 'ZONE', and 'WEREDA'. Below these fields is a section titled 'INTRODUCTION AND COMMENTS' with a small paragraph of instructions. At the bottom, there is a slogan 'Ensure Timely and Regular Reporting for Better Disease Control!' and the text 'Epidemiology Directorate'.

(Page 2 of DOVAR Format)

Page 2

2. MONTHLY SUMMARY OF DISEASE OCCURRENCE AND VACCINATION

Disease	No. of new outbreaks in the month	No. of active outbreaks at end of the month	Species	No. of new cases in the month	No. of death in the month	No. of slaughtered in the month	No. of animal at risk	No. of vaccinations Control	Prophylaxis
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Foot and mouth disease			Bov						
Rinderpest			Bov						
PPR			Cap						
CBPP			Ovi						
Lumpy skin disease			Bov						
Sheep and Goat pox			Cap						
African Horse Sickness			Ovi						
Newcastle disease			Equ						
			Avi						
Anthrax			Bov						
			Equ						
			Ovi						
			Cap						
			Can						
Rabies									
Hemorrhagic septicemia (Pasteurellosis)			Bov						
Black quarter			Ovi						
Streptothricosis			Dromed						
			Bov						
			Bov						

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(Page 3 of DOVAR Format)

Guide line for filling in the format

Page 1. General

Fill the Month and the year of report using Gregorian calendar, the name of the Region, Zone and Wereda. Use the blank space for extra comment.

Page 2. Monthly summary of disease occurrence: (Summary for page 2)

- Column 1.** Name of the disease (Use blank space if the name is not listed)
 2. Number of new outbreaks detected in the month
 3. Number of outbreaks those are still active at the end of the month
 4. Species of animal affected by the outbreak
 5. Number of new cases in the month (the no. of newly affected animals)
 6. Number of animals died due to the disease in the reported month
 7. Number of animals slaughtered because of the disease in the month
 8. Number of animals at risk is the number of animals of the same species present in the same area (Village/PA) during the outbreak
 9. Number of animals vaccinated to control the disease (Note: there must be an outbreak)
 10. Number of animals vaccinated for prophylactic purpose only (without diseases outbreak)

Page 3. Details of each outbreak reported in the month (for all diseases indicated on page 3)

- Column 1.** Name of the disease (please indicate FMD sero-type, if known)
 2. outbreak reference number is the number you gave to this outbreak (example the Ant/04/97 indicate the 4th outbreak of anthrax in 1997)
 3. The geo-reference (Longitude and Latitude) of the PA or Village in which the outbreak occurred.
 4. If the disease was confirmed by laboratory diagnose write 'C' and of only suspected write 'S'
 5. Write 'C' if the disease has still continued or 'E' if it had ended at the end of the month;
 6. The date the disease was reported to you or the nearest veterinary clinic
 7. Date the first clinical case of the outbreak was detected (it must be before the date on column 6)
 8. Species of animal affected by the outbreak.
 9. Sex of affected animals
 10. Number of new case in the month (total must be the same as page 2 col 5)
 11. Animals died due to the disease in the month (Total must be the same as Page 2 col 6)
 12. Animals slaughtered due to the disease in the month (Total must be the same as page 2 Col 7)
 13. Total number of animals diseased during the course of the outbreak: (must be ≥ to column 10)
 14. Animals died during course of the outbreak from the disease (must be ≥ to column 11)
 15. Total number of animals slaughtered due to the disease during the outbreak
 16. Age group affected (Use the following Codes)
 Cattle less than 12 months & sheep and goats less than 6 months = 1
 Cattle 1-3 years and sheep and goats 6-18 months = 2
 Cattle over 3 years and sheep & goats over 18 months = 3
 All age group = 1,2,3
 17. Total number of animals of the same species in the affected outbreak area (VERY IMPORTANT PLEASE DO NOT FORGET!)
 18. Type of farming system (Mixed farming, Pastoral, Dairy, Feedlot, Ranch, etc)

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Annex: 3
 Standard case registration book format for veterinary clinics of Oromia
 (From page 12 of the guideline)

- ✓ Hojiilee kenna talaallii, walaansaa fi tajaajila adda addaa kennuu keessatti kallattiin hirmaachuun gahee ogummaa irraa eeggamu ni baha; deegrsaa ogummaa fi teekinikaa ni kenna.
 - ✓ Hojiilee tajaajila talaallii kennuu, walaansa kennuu fi tajaajila adda addaa kiliniikii keessaa ni kenna
 - ✓ Hojii dabalataa hogganaa dhihoo (Qindeessaa kilinikichaatiin) kennamuuf ni raawwata
- 1.3.3. Gahee Hojii Raawwataa Hojii Ittisaa Fi To'annoo Dhukkuba Beeyiladaa Fi Qurxummii**
- ✓ Qotee bulaa/horsiisaa beeyiladootaa dhukkubatan qabatanii gara kiliniikichaa dhufaan kallattiidhaan ni simata;
 - ✓ Seenaa beeyilada dhukkubasaatee gara kiliniikii dhufee galmaa dhimmaa kanaaf qophaa'ee (Case book) irratti akkataa unka qophaa'een ni galmeessaa (case book formate)

Unka 2. Galmaa kenna tajaajila walaansaa adda addaa itti qabamu (case book)

Qorannoo	Guyyaa	Name of the owner	Species of animal	PA	Age	Sex	Breed	History	Vital signs	Diagnosis	Treatment	Signature of the

- ✓ Akkataa ogummaan ajajauu fi saayiinsaawaa ta'een ulaagaalee barbaachisaa ta'an hunda fudhachuun qorannoo kiliniikii keessaa (Clinical examination) ni gageessaa;
- ✓ Qabatama dhukkubichaatii fi akkuma barbaachisummaa isaatii fakkiin fudhatamee qorannoo laabooraatoorii akka gageeffamu ni ajaja;
- ✓ Seenaa dhukkubichaa, Qorannoo kiliniikii keessaa fi laabooraatoorii keessaa irratti hundaa'uudhaan sababa dhukkubichaa adda ni baasa;
- ✓ Dhukkuba adda bahe bu'ureffachuun qorcha barbaachisaa ta'e unka qophaa'e (prescription paper) irratti barreessuun ni ajaja;