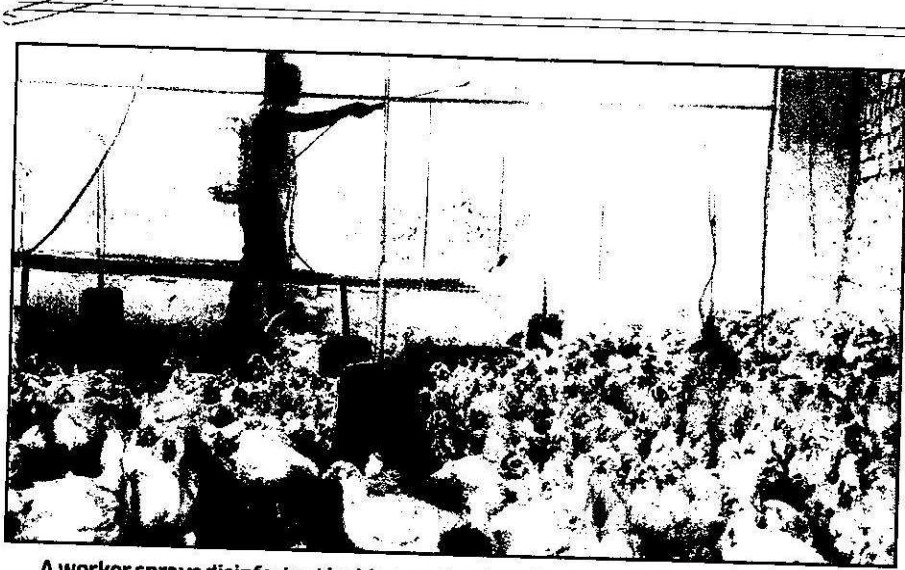


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A worker sprays disinfectant inside a poultry farm in view of Avian influenza, on the outskirts of Bhopal, on Wednesday. Madhya Pradesh has banned chicken consignments from Kerala and other southern states for next 10 days in view of the bird flu scare. PTI

Govt sets up control room after 12 epicentres of outbreak detected

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With the outbreak of bird flu being suspected from many states due to sudden deaths of birds, the government on Wednesday set up a central control room in New Delhi to keep watch on the situation and to take stock of the preventive and control measures undertaken by authorities.

The government also identified 12 epicentres of the present outbreak of Avian Influenza in Baran, Kota, Jhalawar in Rajasthan and Mandsaur, Indore, Malwa in Madhya Pradesh among crows, in

Kangra in Himachal Pradesh among migratory birds and in Kottayam and Alappuzha in Kerala among poultry duck.

In a statement, the Union Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying said that other states have been asked to keep a vigil on unusual deaths of birds.

The Centre, which has in last one week issued three advisories—to Rajasthan and MP on January 1 and Himachal Pradesh on January 5 to avoid the spread of the infection, particularly the spread of disease to poultry, has asked them to identify the high-risk zones and undertake surveillance among human habita-

tions in the high-risk zones and affected villages.

The measures undertaken according to Action Plan on Avian Influenza include strengthening the biosecurity of poultry farms, disinfection of affected areas, proper disposal of dead birds/carcasses, timely collection and submission of samples for confirmation and further surveillance, intensification of a surveillance plan and other general guidelines to stop the spread from birds to poultry and human. The Centre has advised the states to coordinate with the forest department for reporting any unusual mortality of birds.