

PUBLIC TO STAY AWAY FROM POULTRY FARMS

1 Singapore is free from Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza, commonly known as Bird Flu. However, in light of Bird Flu outbreaks in the region, the Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority (AVA) has instructed operators of the poultry farms not to allow the public to visit their farms as an added precaution.

2 Members of the public are asked to stay away from local poultry farms. There are a total of 5 chicken layer farms and 2 quail farms. These farms are located in Lim Chu Kang, Murai and Sungei Tengah.

Precautionary measures at local poultry farms

3 The poultry farm operators have also put in place other biosecurity measures, which include disinfection of all vehicles entering the farms and birdproofing. Farms are registering the movement of vehicles and people entering their premises. Only farm personnel and those with business dealings can enter the farm premises. No live birds, poultry, poultry meat and eggs are allowed to be brought into the farms. All farm personnel must also wear protective gear and have their temperatures monitored.

4 AVA officers have intensified their surveillance of poultry farms. AVA is monitoring the farms for any unusual deaths and signs of the disease in the poultry. Farm personnel are also monitored for flu-like symptoms (e.g. fever).

5 In the event of an outbreak of Bird Flu in any of our poultry farms, AVA will take immediate actions to control and eradicate the disease. AVA will cull the poultry in the affected farms and all poultry farms will be placed under strict quarantine.

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Public Health Concerns

6 Bird Flu predominantly affects poultry. In rare cases, people coming into close contact with diseased live poultry have been infected. There is no evidence of human-to-human transmission. Bird Flu is not known to be transmitted to people through consumption of meat and eggs. We would like to reassure the public that eggs and poultry in Singapore are safe for consumption.

Other precautionary measures undertaken by AVA

7 AVA has suspended the import of live birds and poultry from countries affected by Bird Flu. We have intensified our import inspection and testing of poultry at points of entry. AVA officers have also intensified surveillance of our poultry slaughterhouses.

Sources of poultry supply

8 Singapore has multiple sources of poultry, including Brazil, China, Germany, Malaysia, Netherlands and the USA. This ensures that any shortfall in supply due to disease outbreaks can be quickly met.

9 For more details, please refer to attached 'Additional Information'.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Local Chicken Farms

Lim Chu Kang Agrotechnology Park

N & N Agriculture Pte Ltd

Malaysian Feedmills Farms Pte Ltd

Sungei Tengah Agrotechnology Park

Seng Choon Farm Pte Ltd

Murai Agrotechnology Park

Keng Hong Layer Farm

Chew's Agriculture Pte Ltd

Local Quail Farms

Lim Chu Kang Agrotechnology Park

Gwee Lam Seng / Yeoh Lian Tek

Lian Wah Hang Farm Pte Ltd

LOCATION MAP OF POULTRY FARMS

