



## Advisory for mithun farmers during COVID 19 lockdown issued by ICAR-NRC ON MITHUN, MEDZIPHEMA, NAGALAND



- i. Soap, bucket of water and hand sanitizer to be kept at the entrance of the gate of the Mithun shed
- ii. Farmers should use masks and ensure hand washing with soap at regular intervals before handling any animal
- iii. Maintenance of proper hygiene in Mithun shed is essential and sanitize at regular intervals.
- iv. Mithun farmers are suggested for regular supplementation of mineral mixture @ 40-50 g/day/ adult to maintain productivity
- v. By maintaining social distancing, herd men should collect sufficient fodder to ensure for Mithun feeding in order to prevent Mithun going out of ranges
- vi. Farmers can visit Mithun salt lick centre with salt and minerals with only 2 person a day
- vii. Herd men should continue to attend the pregnant animals and young calves as well as guard the Mithun herd to watch out for predator attacks on Mithun during the COVID-19 pandemic crisis.
- viii. Mithun should be kept separated from other types of animals in free range.
- ix. Fencing should be carried out by maintaining social distancing
- x. Maintain a distance of 3-4 feet during rest, taking of meals, loading/unloading of feeds in sheds of organized Mithun farms.
- xi. Water sources in ranges for Mithun may be checked during the lean season.
- xii. All transport vehicles, gunny bags or other packaging material should also be sanitized

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