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**SHORTAGE OF CRITICAL VACCINE | MEETING HELD BETWEEN NAHF AND DALRRD FOR SOLUTIONS**

The National Animal Health Forum held a meeting on Friday 13 January 2023 with the Acting Deputy Director General, Mr. Dipepeneng Serage, and the Director of Animal Health, Dr. Mpho Maja.

This meeting was in the follow-up of previous engagements in 2022 with the honourable Minister and the Director General.

It was stated by the industry that there are current shortage of critical and strategic vaccines and herd immunity has already been compromised and action needs to be taken immediately.

The parties agreed that there have not been sufficient quantities of vaccines available and on time. This is an escalating problem.


Between DALRRD and the NAHF there was consensus on the following:

- Private sector collaboration and involvement;
- Review of legislative requirements in order to accommodate private sector involvement;
- Urgent discussion between DALRRD and OBP;
- Follow-up meeting will be held between DALRRD and the NAHF.

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The DALRRD and NAHF will keep the members and stakeholders updated.

There was a consensus of appreciation in terms of constructive engagement on this issue.

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