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The Vietnam's Premier International Feed, Livestock, Meat Industry

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Agriculture plays a pivotal role and remains a cornerstone of Vietnam's economy. It ensures national food and nutrition security and contributes significantly to overall macroeconomic stability. Within agriculture, the livestock sector accounts for more than one-fourth of total output and has made remarkable progress amid technological advances and growing international integration.

Over the past eight decades, Vietnam's livestock industry has undergone a profound transformation, moving from smallholder farming to industrialised, modernised, and internationally connected production. Between 2010 and 2025, livestock productivity recorded impressive growth, making the sector one of the key pillars of both agriculture and the national economy.

In 2024, despite complex animal disease outbreaks, particularly among smallholder farms in some regions, ongoing smuggling of animals and animal products, and the impact of Typhoon Yagi in early September along with other extreme weather events, the livestock sector managed to sustain growth and continued to contribute to the broader agricultural economy. The production value of livestock in 2024 grew by 5.4% compared with 2023, a rate that outpaced the average growth of 3.27% across agriculture, forestry, and fisheries.

Total output in 2024 reached more than 8.28 million tons of meat, 20.2 billion eggs, and 1.2 million tons of fresh milk. Vietnam has strengthened its global position, ranking 5th worldwide in pig herd size and sixth in pork production, second in poultry population, 3rd in fresh milk production in ASEAN, and 1st in Southeast Asia in industrial feed output with 21.5 million tons, which also placed the country twelfth globally.

For 2025, the livestock sector is targeting growth of between 5.7 and 5.98%. In the first half of the year, the industry maintained steady growth, creating momentum for stronger acceleration in the second half. Recovery has

been supported by effective disease control. The swine herd grew by 3.8% to about 29.5 million heads, while the poultry population increased by 4% to more than 600 million. Stable market prices for pork and poultry have enabled reinvestment and herd improvement. In contrast, the buffalo population declined by 3.4 % and cattle by 0.6 %, reflecting a shift toward higher-value livestock.

The sector provides livelihoods for 6.5 million farming households, contributes 25 to 27% of agricultural GDP, and ensures food and nutrition security for more than 100 million people. Exports of livestock products also expanded, reaching 264.4 million USD in the first half of 2025, up 10.1% year on year.

Animal health has seen important breakthroughs. Vietnam became the first country to successfully produce a commercial African Swine Fever Vaccine. Veterinary pharmaceuticals are now exported to more than 45 countries with revenues reaching several hundred million USD.

At the same time, the sector continues to face major challenges. Disease outbreaks are becoming more complex and widespread, while climate change and natural disasters pose growing risks. Structural weaknesses remain, as smallholder production still accounts for nearly half of total output. Value chain linkages are limited, the industry depends heavily on imported feed ingredients and veterinary antibiotics, and modern slaughterhouses represent only a small share. Processed livestock products, especially value-added products, remain underdeveloped, while livestock databases, traceability systems, and market forecasting capacity require further improvement.

To address these challenges, the Party Committee of the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment has issued Resolution No. 14-NQ/ĐU. The resolution emphasises breakthroughs in science, technology, innovation, and digital transformation as the key drivers of rapid and sustainable

development in a context of limited resources, environmental pressures, and climate change.

The Party Committee is united in its commitment to a long-term vision: building a modern, efficient, green, and highly competitive agricultural sector that is resilient to climate change, environmentally responsible, and resource-efficient. All of these efforts aim to advance a green economy that is sustainable and friendly to the environment.

VIETSTOCK 2025 - FOSTERING SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, INNOVATION AND DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION FOR A SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY

Vietstock 2025, organised by Informa Markets and hosted by the **Department of Animal Health and Production** (Ministry of Agriculture and Environment), will take place under the theme: "Fostering Science, Technology, Innovation and Digital Transformation for a sustainable development of the livestock industry".

Endorsed by **Agriculture & Environment Newspaper** as the official media partner, Vietstock 2025 is organised in close collaboration with more than **50 organisations**, governments, livestock associations, and media partners at both national and international levels, creating a strong and sustainable network that connects the entire livestock value chain.

Now in its 13th edition, The Vietnam's Premier International Feed, Livestock, Meat Industry - Vietstock 2025 is expected to feature **13,000 sqm** of exhibition area, bringing together **300 exhibitors** and **13,000 trade** visitors and professionals from **40 countries** and regions. This impressive scale promises businesses valuable opportunities to connect, collaborate, and take a leading role in the rapidly growing livestock sector.

Vietstock 2025 continues to affirm its position as the leading platform where industry players have the opportunity to showcase advanced technologies, discuss emerging trends, and address the pressing challenges facing the livestock sector in Vietnam and across the ASEAN region.

On 9 October, within the framework of Vietstock 2025, the **ASEAN** Livestock Associations Round Table will take place under the theme: "Current developments, opportunities and challenges in ASEAN's livestock industry".

The conference will bring together **seven livestock and animal health associations** from Vietnam, Malaysia, Philippines, Cambodia, Thailand, Indonesia, and Myanmar. With the aim of fostering an open and comprehensive networking environment, Vietstock serves as a convergence point for industry leaders, policymakers, scientists, and the business community to exchange knowledge, explore new technologies, tackle current challenges, and drive sustainable growth for the regional livestock industry.

In addition, Vietstock places strong emphasis on enhancing the competitiveness of smallholders, farms, and SMEs. Through its **Bus-in Programme**, Vietstock will arrange transportation and guided tours for livestock farmers from key farming provinces surrounding *Ho Chi Minh City, including An Giang, Dong Nai, Dong Thap, Lam Dong, Tay Ninh, Can Tho, and Vinh Long*.

VIETSTOCK - THE KNOWLEDGE HUB SHAPING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE FOR LIVESTOCK

Driving the industry's transformation through innovation, training, and valuable connections, Vietstock 2025 is expected to host over **80 knowledge sessions**, conferences, technical seminars, and specialised

forums during the three-day event, providing in-depth knowledge and the latest technological trends in the livestock sector.

On the opening day of Vietstock 2025, the **Ministry of Agriculture and Environment** will host the **Industry Conference** under the theme "Livestock and Poultry Development to Ensure Supply Capacity for Last Quarter of 2025 and Early 2026". The conference will bring together government leaders and leading experts to discuss strategic solutions aimed at stabilising supply and fostering sustainable livestock development. This highlight event is expected to be a key milestone in the series of activities at Vietstock 2025.

The Department of Animal Health and Production (Ministry of Agriculture and Environment) will chair **03 conference sessions** encompassing technical advancements, regulations, and policies, providing attendees with updates on the latest trends and best practical in the industry.

- Plenary Session: Application of Science & Technology, Innovation, and Digital Transformation for Sustainable Livestock Development.
- **Breakout Session 01**: Disseminate And Implement Specialised Documents on Livestock Production and Animal Health in Alignment with The Two-Tier Government Model.
- **Breakout Session 02**: Veterinary Vaccines, Optimal Solution in Response to The New Context

Renowned livestock and veterinary associations will deliver in-depth discussions offering diverse perspectives, sharing valuable knowledge and practical experience to address the industry's challenges. This will be an opportunity for businesses, experts, and policymakers to stay updated on emerging trends, access innovative scientific and technological solutions, and foster sustainable collaboration in the livestock and veterinary sectors.

- Animal Husbandry Association of Vietnam: Impact of changes in the law on standard technical regulations and law on product quality on the field of livestock and animal health
- **Vietnam Ruminant Husbandry Association**: Solutions to enhance sustainability and efficiency development in husbandry production
- **Vietnam Poultry Association**: Enhance competitiveness in Vietnam poultry industry; and Eggs for healthy life
- Vietnam Farms and Agricultural Enterprises Association: Circular, disease-free livestock farming to enhance product value

At the same time, Vietstock will feature specialised forums with the participation of leading international experts, focusing on two critical topics currently drawing significant attention: **Antimicrobial Resistance** (AMR) and **African Swine Fever (ASF)**. These pressing issues have farreaching impacts on biosecurity, animal health, and the sustainable growth of the livestock sector, promising fresh insights and practical solutions for businesses and policymakers alike.

- Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Forum: From policies to practice tackling antimicrobial resistance together
- **Swine Disease**: ASF The final destination

In addition, Vietstock continues to affirm its role as the trusted meeting place for more than 300 leading enterprises in Vietnam's livestock industry and the wider region. The technical conference program will bring together seasoned experts from pioneering companies, offering visitors valuable knowledge, practical experience, and proven models that can be directly applied to production and business activities. This creates opportunities to enhance efficiency and strengthen the competitiveness of the livestock sector.

Vietstock 2025 will take place over three days, from 8 to 10 October, at the Saigon Exhibition and Convention Center (SECC), 799 Nguyen Van Linh, Ho Chi Minh City.

Vietstock extends its sincere appreciation to all partners and participants, and warmly welcomes you to a dynamic platform that fosters collaboration, innovation, and sustainable growth.

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