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The sudden death of six wild boars in and around Bandipur Tiger Reserve in Chamarajanagar last week has put both the forest department and animal husbandry and veterinary services (AHVS) department on alert fearing a possible outbreak of African swine fever.

Even as forest officials from BTR are awaiting postmortem reports, the AHVS officials on Monday sought a report from the field director of the reserve. Villagers in and around Mangala and Gopala Swamy betta area of BTR in Gundlupet taluk said there were about 10 mysterious deaths of wild boars in the last week.

However, authorities said they have come across six deaths and are probing the same. Following the alert from villagers, veterinarians conducted a postmortem and sent visceral samples to the Institute of Animal Health & Veterinary Biologicals (IAH&VB) and a laboratory in New Delhi for analysis.

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Chief veterinarian of Gundlupet talk in Chamarajanagar, Dr Madesh S, visited Melukamanahalli and interacted with villagers to gather more details.

Dr Shivanna, deputy director, AHVS said: "The doctor has told us that he conducted a postmortem of six wild boars and sent the samples for analysis. Based on symptoms alone it is difficult to say whether it was African swine fever or something else. Nevertheless, we have directed Bandipur National Park officials to keep us informed about the deaths and the postmortem report," he said.

He said in case of confirmation of an outbreak of the virus, there is no other option but to cull the pigs.

"Though the disease does not spread to humans, the infection has a 100% mortality rate in livestock. In August 2022, an outbreak of African swine fever was reported at a piggery in Bengaluru Rural district, where 347 pigs were culled using an electric stunner under the supervision of an expert veterinarians' team from Kerala. Prior to the arrival of the team, more than 100 pigs had died due to the infection," Dr Shivanna narrated.

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