

**Question for written answer E-003706/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Use of available EU tools to tackle sheep pox and goat pox

Based on its replies to recent questions, the Commission has pointed out that Member States have multiple tools at their disposal to prevent and mitigate the effects of zoonotic diseases such as sheep pox and goat pox, including: (a) measure M23 in the rural development programmes, (b) the CAP strategic plans' forecasts for investment in biosecurity, risk management and restoration of agricultural potential, (c) State aid schemes and the *de minimis* rule, (d) exceptional market support measures under the CMO. However, it is unclear to what extent Member States – and in particular Greece – have made use of these tools.

Can the Commission answer the following:

1. Can it indicate, for each tool mentioned above, which Member States have made use of them and to what extent?
2. Can it clarify whether Greece has, as of yet, made use of these tools and, if not, what possibilities have not yet been tapped into?
3. How does the Commission intend to ensure that these available instruments are made use of effectively and in a timely manner to protect the primary sector and avoid permanent production losses?

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