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on behalf of the European Commission
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Measures against peste des petits ruminants (PPR), like compensation to owners for the animals culled, may be eligible for EU co-funding, at a maximum rate of 30% (Regulation (EU) No 2021/690¹ and Commission Implementing Decision C(2023) 8926², Annex 3³ thereof).

In line with Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, depending on the identified needs and intervention strategy, through their Common Agricultural Policy Strategic Plans, Member States may provide support for investments in preventive actions and for restoration of agricultural potential following natural disasters, adverse climatic events or catastrophic events⁴. This would also allow to support investments to restore agricultural production potential damaged by animal diseases or by measures taken to eradicate or contain the disease.

EU financial support is provided for PPR surveillance, in risk areas, through the Transboundary Animal Diseases programmes (Greece and Bulgaria) and the Trans-boundary High Risk Area Coordinated Epidemio-surveillance (T.H.R.A.C.E.) programme (Greece, Bulgaria, Türkiye).

Harmonised EU measures for PPR are set out in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687⁵ and Commission Implementing Decisions 2024/2119⁶ (Romania) and 2024/2132⁷ (Greece). Imports of animals from third countries are strictly regulated at EU level.

The Commission has regular exchanges with Greece and Romania as well as offered technical support, via the EU reference laboratory for PPR, and visits of the EU Veterinary Emergency Team. Member States are updated through meetings of the Standing Committee for Plants, Animals, Food and Feed.

The EU PPR vaccine bank, in place since 2018, could ship up to 500.000 doses of vaccines free of charge if a request is received.

¹ <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/690/oj>

² C(2023) 8926 final, Commission Implementing Decision of 21.12.2023
https://commission.europa.eu/document/download/e6150e32-3fa5-4276-923b-a36faf4fec1e_en?filename=C_2023_8926_F1_COMMISSION_IMPLEMENTING_DECISION_EN_V3_P1_3119489.PDF

³ Annex 3 to C(2023) 8926 final, Commission Implementing Decision of 21.12.2023
https://commission.europa.eu/document/download/c69d5f53-6966-420f-8628-7ff84bf91646_en?filename=C_2023_8926_F1_ANNEX_EN_V2_P1_3132789.PDF

⁴ Article 73 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32021R2115#:~:text=Regulation%20%28EU%29%202021%2F2115%20of%20the%20European%20Parliament%20and,Regulations%20%28EU%29%20No%201305%2F2013%20and%20%28EU%29%20No%201307%2F2013>

⁵ http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2020/687/oj

⁶ http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec_impl/2024/2119/oj

⁷ http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec_impl/2024/2132/oj