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## FOREWORD

Poultry farming witnessed a rapid expansion after the dawn of independence in the country. Since this enterprise is scale neutral and provides a high quality protein through egg and meat, even in the predominant vegetarian population, the poultry farming continues to maintain its lead. Since the success and failure of an enterprise is very much dependent on generation of knowledge in the maintenance and upkeep of enterprise like this it is of topical importance to have a dictionary which could explain the common terms used in this field.

Dr. R.L. Lakhota, Associate Professor in the Department of Livestock Production and Management has done a commendable job of compiling and bringing into a publication in the form of dictionary which could be used both by students and professionals in this field.

In my considered opinion this dictionary will provide much sought for information and be useful both to the students and teachers as well as those involved in the

trade in providing access to knowledge of poultry science. The efforts made by Dr. Lakhotia deserve appreciation and I am sure the directory on the poultry science brought by him will spread the message of scientific poultry keeping and increasing the knowledge of all those who are likely to use this dictionary. I am sure this dictionary will be received well by all concerned.

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## PREFACE

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Last a word of appeal to all readers to kindly bring to the notice of the author of any error, lapse, or discrepancy noted in this to bring out a dictionary expected to be of great help to all those who are connected with poultry science.

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