

prevailing circulating strains. In that regard, both vaccine composition and production timelines will be adjusted accordingly.

“By expanding our manufacturing capacity, the ARC provides farmers and veterinary services with timely access to the vaccines needed to safeguard animal health and food security across the country,” said ARC President and CEO, Dr. Litha Magingxa.

The surge in local manufacturing, combined with strategic international partnerships, has led to increase in protected livestock.

Since the initial release of the 12 900 doses ARC vaccine on 6 February 2026 and the importation of one million Biogénesis Bagó vaccine in Argentina and 1,5 million from Dollvet in Turkey, over 1.7 million animals have been vaccinated up to 26 March 2026.

During the month of April, an additional 3,5 million vaccine doses (1,5 million from Biogénesis Bagó and two million from Dollvet) will boost the vaccination efforts.

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