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To whomsoever it may concern

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There are concerns being raised that the poultry (Layer) industry uses different Steroids, and consumption of such type of egg is one of the reasons for early puberty.

Please note that, chickens produce more eggs because of scientific breeding programs, Genetics make up, Quality Nutrition, Hygienic Management, and 24 / 7 Health care by qualified Poultry Veterinarians.

Please note that....

- 1. steroids are not fed or injected in any layer farms in our Country.
- 2. Steroids are never used to increase egg production chickens.

I am giving this assurance as the Current President of Institute of Veterinarians of Poultry Industry (IVPI). The Institute has 250 members of highly qualified Poultry Veterinarians who are specialized in all aspects of Poultry production. I have been in the University of Agricultural Sciences teaching and Research Poultry Science since last 40 years & have been in many Governments Advisory Boards & Committees.

Unnecessary fear is being created among consumers, which results in consumers avoiding highly nutritious and cheap eggs and hurting the egg industry.

Please show me one poultry farm in India where steroids are used in egg production and publication published in peer reviewed journal or Government publication regarding usage of steroids in our country in egg production.

Please note that the egg intake is lowest in our country, and it is only 90 eggs per year per person whereas in USA, Japan, and in many other countries they consume 300 eggs per person per year. Low consumption of eggs is one of the reasons for malnutrition in our country and Vitamin B12 is completely absent in vegetarian foods. For your information we are exporting eggs and egg powder to many countries.

With regards

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