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यह एक स्वतंत्र परियोजना है, जो सरकार की आधिकारिक करियर-मार्गदर्शन सामग्री पर आधारित है। · An independent project based on the Government's official career-guidance content.

1 About this career

Veterinary doctors treat, vaccinate and operate on everything from cows, buffaloes, camels and goats to pet dogs and cats. After Class 12 Biology you must clear NEET UG and complete the 5.5-year BVSc & AH degree — in Rajasthan, admission is through counselling by RAJUVAS, Bikaner. In Rajasthan, one of India's biggest livestock states, opportunities range from government Veterinary Officer posts to private pet clinics.

2 At a glance

Minimum qualification	Class 12 Biology + NEET UG → 5.5-year BVSc & AH (incl. 1-year internship)
Work mode	Veterinary hospitals, village field visits, dairy farms — substantial outdoor work
Demand	High — 1,100 Veterinary Officer posts advertised in Rajasthan in 2025-26
Top earning	₹1,50,000+ per month at senior government levels or in specialist private practice

3 What you need

INTERESTS

- Love for animals and joy in caring for them
- Interest in village life, farming and animal husbandry
- Curiosity about biology and medical science

ABILITIES

- Physical stamina and confidence around large animals
- Sharp observation — animals cannot describe their pain
- Staying calm and deciding quickly in emergencies

KEY SKILLS

- Clinical examination and diagnosis of animals
- Vaccination and infectious disease control
- Trustworthy communication with farmers in the local language
- Business skills for running a pet clinic
- Veterinary surgery and obstetrics
- Artificial insemination and breed improvement
- Knowledge of government livestock schemes and record keeping

4 How to get there

- 1 Choose Biology after Class 10 — Physics, Chemistry and Biology are essential in Class 12
- 2 Qualify NEET UG — RPVT stands discontinued in Rajasthan from the 2026-27 session, so this is now the only route
- 3 Join RAJUVAS central counselling — 85% seats are for Rajasthan domiciles, 15% through the all-India quota
- 4 Complete the 5.5-year BVSc & AH — the final year is an internship in veterinary hospitals
- 5 Register with the State Veterinary Council — mandatory for practice
- 6 Take the RPSC Veterinary Officer exam for a government post, or choose MVSc / private practice

MAIN EXAMS

- NEET UG — the national exam for BVSc admission; from 2026-27 Rajasthan admits only through NEET score via RAJUVAS counselling, replacing RPVT
- RPSC Veterinary Officer exam — for government appointment after the degree (1,100 posts advertised in 2025)

5 Where to study

GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES

- College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences (RAJUVAS), Bikaner — Bikaner, Rajasthan (<https://rajuvas.ac.in/admission/>)
- Post Graduate Institute of Veterinary Education and Research (RAJUVAS), Jaipur — Jaipur, Rajasthan
- College of Veterinary and Animal Science (RAJUVAS), Navania, Vallabhnagar — Udaipur, Rajasthan

PRIVATE INSTITUTES

- Apollo College of Veterinary Medicine (RAJUVAS-affiliated) — Jaipur, Rajasthan

- Arawali Veterinary College (RAJUVAS-affiliated) — Sikar, Rajasthan

ONLINE

- SWAYAM — free foundation courses only (BVSc is a clinical degree, no online option exists) — Online (<https://swayam.gov.in/>)

FEES

BVSc at RAJUVAS government colleges is very affordable — about ₹16,000 per year for general category (roughly ₹87,000 total for the course) and even less for reserved categories. Payment seats and private colleges charge ₹1,50,000 to ₹3,00,000 per year. Hostel and books cost extra.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- National Scholarship Portal (central and state schemes) (<https://scholarships.gov.in/>)
- Rajasthan Higher & Technical Education — online scholarship schemes (<https://hte.rajasthan.gov.in/>)

6 What the work is like

WHERE YOU WORK

Government veterinary hospitals and sub-centres, farmers' doorsteps in villages, dairy and poultry farms, city pet clinics, cow shelters and zoos.

WORK CULTURE

Field-heavy work — sun, dust and night emergency calls; vaccination drives mean long tours. In return, a veterinary doctor enjoys doctor-level respect in village society.

WHO HIRES

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| • Rajasthan Animal Husbandry Department (Veterinary Officer posts) | • Dairy cooperatives such as Saras and Amul |
| • Private pet clinics and animal hospital chains | • Animal pharmaceutical, feed and vaccine companies |
| • Indian Army's Remount and Veterinary Corps | • Research institutes — the National Research Centre on Camel in Bikaner and other ICAR institutes |

DEMAND (2026)

Rajasthan is among India's largest livestock states and home to the country's biggest camel population. In 2025-26 the RPSC advertised recruitment for 1,100 Veterinary Officer posts, while private demand from urban pet care, dairy and poultry industries keeps rising as well.

7 Career growth

- 1 Veterinary intern
- 2 Veterinary Officer / junior veterinarian
- 3 Senior Veterinary Officer / specialist (after MVSc)
- 4 Deputy Director / Joint Director, Animal Husbandry Department
- 5 Director, or owner of a large animal hospital or clinic chain

EARNINGS

Starting	₹25,000–60,000
Mid level	₹60,000–1,00,000
Senior level	₹1,00,000–2,00,000+

Monthly estimates, 2026. A government Veterinary Officer starts at a basic pay of about ₹56,100 plus allowances; private clinic pay starts lower but can grow far higher with experience and location.

8 The good parts · The challenges

The good parts

- Strong government job openings and respect in rural society
- Very low government college fees — an affordable path to becoming a doctor
- Many career paths — government service, pet practice, dairy, army, research

The challenges

- A long course (5.5 years) and tough NEET competition
- Heat, dust, night emergency calls and risk of injury from large animals
- Early postings are often in remote villages

9 Real-life journeys

Tarun Kumar Gahlot

Camel surgeon and Professor, College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Bikaner

Born in Napasar village of Bikaner district, Tarun Kumar Gahlot completed his BVSc in 1979 and rose to Professor of Surgery at the veterinary college in Bikaner. To mend camels' broken jaws he developed a low-cost copper-wire technique costing barely 10-15 rupees — hailed as pioneering work at the 1990 international camel conference, with thousands of camels treated at his college. In 1994 he launched the world's first research journal devoted to camel science, where scientists from many countries publish.

Down To Earth · <https://www.downtoearth.org.in/interviews/the-camels-lower-jaw-is-unique-8915>

Pradnya Dhokrikar

Small animal veterinarian and clinic founder, Pune

As a child taking her pet dog to the vet, Pradnya Dhokrikar decided this would be her life's work too. After BVSc and a master's in veterinary medicine, she began with house visits and opened a small, basic clinic in 1990. Through 27 years of effort she built it into a full-fledged clinic with advanced facilities treating dogs, cats, birds and turtles — and she now mentors young veterinarians in building practices of their own.

The Interview Portal · <https://theinterviewportal.com/2018/01/18/veterinary-pet-doctor-interview/>

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