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MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS IN BUYOBO SUB COUNTY SIRONKO
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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

A.I	Artificial Insemination
BCS	Body condition score
DDA	Dairy Development Authority
EADD	East African Dairy Development
FAO	Food and Agricultural Organization
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
HPI	Heifer Project International
IDA	International Dairy Federation
IFCN	International Farm Comparison Network
IFPRI	International Food Policy Research Institute
MAAIF	Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries
NAADS	National Agricultural Advisory Services
NAGRC	National Agricultural Genetic Research Centre
NARO	National Agricultural Research Organization
NERRDP	National economic recovery, Rehabilitation and Development programs
NLC	National Livestock Census
NUSAF	Northern Uganda Social Action Fund
PMA	Plan for Modernisation of Agriculture
UBOS	Uganda Bureau of Statistics
WAC	World Agro-forestry Centre

ABSTRACT

Buyobo has for long had a disparity between the supply and demand of milk. Even at present milk production continues to be less than the market demand. This study aimed at assessing the constraints to low milk production in smallholder intensive cattle management system in Buyobo Sub County. The study objectives included; establish the influence of Social constraints on milk production on cattle in Buyobo Sub County, establishing the influence of management practices on milk production in Buyobo Sub County and finding out the influence of Extension Services on milk production in Buyobo Sub County. The study sampled 102 respondents of which 100 dairy farmers plus two (2) key informants who were interviewed on the major constraints of milk production in the area. Study finding indicated that the following management constraints greatly influenced milk production in cattle within Buyobo Sub County are in line to the following; absolute majority (81/102) of smallholder farmers solely used improved bulls for breeding whereas (5/102) farmers used Artificial Insemination. Majority (59%) of the farmers attribute their limitations to using A.I to being expensive and not readily available. Data from household survey indicated that 89% percent of farmers practiced zero grazing, with 73% of farmers admitting not having a garden of pastures for feeding their cattle with absolute majority relying on feeding their dairy cows on natural pastures. It was found out that ticks and Nuisance flies are the most common parasites that affect cows and as such influence milk production in Buyobo Sub County. In management of these parasites, farmers further face challenges such as, lack of money and lack of both acaricides and money, it was found out that the poor housing status of most cows in Buyobo to a greater extent also contribute to low milk yield only 06% of the respondents said has concrete floors and 65% said timbers off (wood). The study shows that majority of the dairy farmers (65%). Majority of dairy farmers of Buyobo being of low educational background (53%) attended primary it is recommended that they need to acquire knowledge and better understanding of livestock management aspects including but not limited to forage/fodder storage and supplementary feeding of dairy cattle using concentrates and other supplements. This will improve milk production so as to generate more food and improved living conditions for people

CHAPTER ONE

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This chapter focuses on; Background, General Objective, Specific objectives, Research questions that guided the study, Significance of the study, Justification, Problem statement, Scope and the conceptual frame work which shows the dependent and independent variables.

1.1 BACKGROUND

According to FAO 2015, in the last three decades, intensive world milk production has increased by more than 50 % from 482 million tonnes in 1982 to 754 million tonnes in 2012. India is the world's largest milk producer, with 16 percent of global production, followed by the United States of America, China, Pakistan, and Brazil. The countries with the highest milk deficits are China, Italy, the Russian Federation, Mexico, Algeria and Indonesia. Milk production in Africa is growing more slowly than in other developing regions, because of poverty and in some countries adverse climatic conditions. More than 80 percent of the milk produced in developing countries comes from small-scale intensive dairy producers.

In East Africa milk production in the 1980s and 1990s increased at an annual rate of 4.1% in Kenya and 2.6% in Uganda, with a average milk yields per cow at just 7–8 litres per day in intensive production systems with improved cattle, despite the potential of farmers' breeds to produce at least three times that (World Agro forestry Centre, 2009).

Uganda's economy is predominantly agrarian with agriculture accounting for 23.7% of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP), 81% of the employed labor force, and 31% of export earnings. Considering that over 85% of Uganda's population lives in rural areas, agriculture is an important sector of the economy, and its performance has direct implications for real GDP growth rate, per capita income, rural employment and incomes, and poverty reduction (Kansiime, 2010). Efforts to improve livestock feeding with great strides in identifying nutritious feed resources for cattle such as pasture grasses and legumes, leguminous shrubs and multi-purpose trees, crop residues and agro-industrial by-products, milk production on dairy farms has remained low, in the range of 2–5 L per cow per day in some parts of the country (Mubiru et al, 2011).

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