



Building Bridges, Supporting Livelihoods



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**Animal Production and Health Commission
for Asia and the Pacific**



Introducing APHCA

- Statutory body of FAO
- Secretariat housed in FAORAP
- Established 1975
- 18 country members
 - Australia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Indonesia, Iran, DPR Korea, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Sri Lanka and Thailand



Purpose

- Promote livestock development, research and action
- South-South Cooperation
- Promote livestock production as an industry and as part of the farming system
- Raise level of nutrition and standard of living of small farmers and communities



Programmes

- Action-oriented programmes aimed at rural livestock agriculture and resource development .
- Major targets of the specific programmes are:
 - Control and eradication of major diseases
 - Development of rural economy through increased milk production of small farms;
 - Increase of livestock feed resources through better utilization of farm byproducts, recycling of crop and animal wastes and by development of new sources of feeds which reduce dependence on human foodstuffs;
 - Development of buffalo as a better work, meat and milk producer;
 - Development of the goat for increasing productivity of small farms.
- Implementation based on:
 - Exchange of experience, expertise, technology and information;
 - Common discussion through seminars and workshops identifying problems and finding their solutions; and
 - Inter-country training and visits to stimulate development activity at national levels.



Some Activity Highlights

- APHCA Dairy Development Strategy and Investment Plan
- Smallholder Dairy Development Programme—Myanmar, Thailand and Bangladesh
- Enhancing Milk Consumption and Livelihoods through School Milk Programmes
- Asia Dairy network
- Control of TADs and EIDs
- Capacity Building—Brucellosis, PRRS and Blue Tongue
- Feed safety



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Regional Consultation on Asian Livestock

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Key narratives

- Missing smallholders . . .
- Productivity, productivity, productivity. . .
- Greening of livestock sector . . .
- Healthy animals, healthy people . . .
- Regional trade and integration . . .



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Natural allies



Thank you
very much

