Challenges and learning for sustainable livestock based Livelihoods of Small, Marginal and Landless farmers in India

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My Pleasure and privilege on behalf of the Livestock keepers of India and BAIF

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BAIF’s Mission

To create opportunities of gainful self-employment for the rural families, especially disadvantaged sections, ensuring sustainable livelihood, enriched environment, improved quality of life and good human values. This is being achieved through development, research, effective use of local resources, extension of appropriate technologies and upgradation of skills and capabilities with community participation.

Learnings

- Working with individual farmers and farmers organization (Development of door delivery model)
- Interactions with policy & development programme planners – got CDP included in a main stream.
- Direct implementation of programme in the field – it ensures.
  - Continuous learning from field experience
  - Unique position – articulate problems and needs of farmers – to scientific community and policy planners and suggest relevant approaches.
  - Leading to stake-holders friendly programmes.
  - Different development models for Dairy Animals, Goat and Piggery Development.
Lessons Learnt

✓ Input of appropriate technology is important
✓ Approach and delivery of services is as important as technology & input.
✓ Sustained working with major stake-holders and integration with the farming systems is important for small and marginal farmers
✓ Feed & fodder resources development is equally important, rather under Indian condition livestock development strategies should consider feed & fodder resources as the limiting factor and their plan for species and its variants.
✓ Disease control and the checking mortality in small ruminants is as important as access to genetically superior germ-plasm.

Therefore, thrust areas in Livestock Development are;
Collaborations Welcome

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