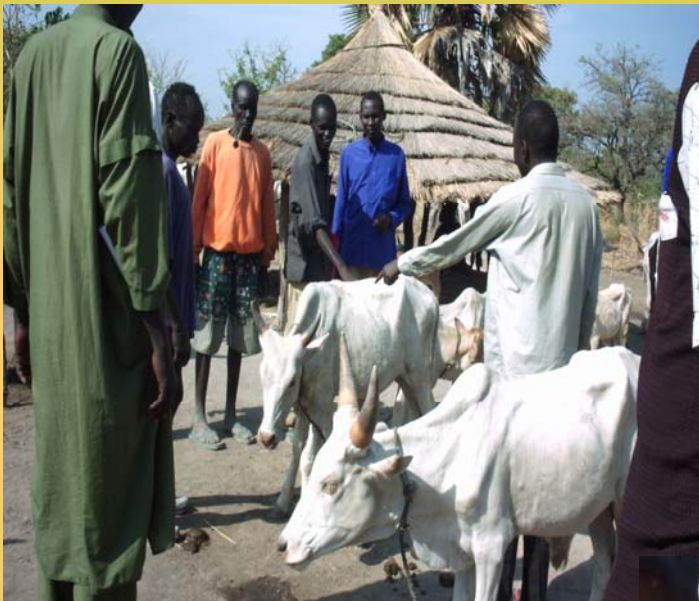




FOOD SECURITY VETERINARY PROJECT



2000



INTRODUCTION

The Veterinary Project remains a crucial component of the Food Security Programme in its areas of operation as it supports the livestock of agro-pastoralists, complementing the work of the Agriculture Project seeking improved production.

The Veterinary Project continued as a community based initiative that is leading towards 100% cost recovery for the services given, in an effort to make provision of veterinary services sustainable.

The main components of the Veterinary Project in 2000 were:

- Vaccination
- Curative treatment
- Community drug purchasing
- Response to disease outbreaks
- Training
- Community dialogue
- Coordination

The areas of implementation in 2000 were:

- The six payams of Yirol County: Adior, Ngop, Lou, Abang, Aluakluak and Yirol Central
- All the payams of Kajo-Keji County
- Ox plough support outreach in Yei and Juba Counties; keeping the ox plough bulls in good health for optimum performance.

It is estimated that the six Payams of Yirol County have a population of over 200,000 heads of cattle, while Kajo-Keji County is estimated to have over 30,000 heads of cattle.



Vaccination:

The program had been carrying out vaccination against Rinderpest and Hemorrhagic Septicemia (HS) in Yirol County and five field teams were carrying out vaccination concurrently in various locations. During the period under review 7,950 heads of cattle were vaccinated against HS. During the community dialogue workshop held in Yirol town, the workshop participants who were also community representatives resolved to have all the animals in the County vaccinated against Rinderpest and ear notched for future reference. They acknowledged that Rinderpest remained a threat to the cattle population in Yirol County.

In Kajo-Keji County community dialogue continued at the Boma level sensitizing the community about vaccination. A total of 500 heads of cattle were vaccinated against Rinderpest and ears notched over this period. In addition, a total of 50 heads of cattle were vaccinated against Contagious Bovine Pleuro-Pneumonia (CBPP).

Curative treatment/Community drugs purchasing:

The community animal health workers carried out curative treatment in far and distant locations of their areas of activities using the balance of drugs supplied by NPA the previous year, while awaiting the community to purchase replacement drugs as agreed. In Kajo-Keji County, 304 heads of cattle and 130 sheep/goats were treated over the period under review realizing a total of 185,650 Uganda shillings as cost recovery.

Community dialogue workshop:

A major community dialogue workshop was held in Yirol County for 3 days from 21st February . The workshop explored in detail the process of privatization of the Veterinary Project particularly the provision of drugs for treatment. The 48 participants acknowledged the need to be prepared to take over the direct purchasing of veterinary drugs. The workshop also reviewed the overall livestock situation in Yirol County. A follow up workshop was attended by 61 participants from 7th to 9th November.

Disease outbreak report:

<u>Disease</u>	<u>Date of outbreak report</u>	<u>Action taken</u>
Hemorrhagic septicemia in Yirol County.	1 st week of February 2000	Clinical confirmation/request for the vaccine /vaccination. Curative treatment.
PPR (Peste de Petit Ruminant) in Yirol County.	Mid-March 2000	Whole blood samples for serum isolation were taken and sent to UNICEF. Supportive therapy given.
Black Quarter outbreak in Kangapo Payam of Kajo-Keji County.	1 st week of March.	Supportive therapy given.

Training:

10 community animal health workers were trained to increase coverage in the Western Payam of Yirol County. One NPA Ox-plough trainer was invited to participate. 5 more community animal health workers and 8 Ox-plough trainers were trained in Kajokeji County.

The project areas of implementation over this period were 6 Payams of Yirol County namely: Adior, Ngop, Lou, Abang, Aluak luak and Yirol central, all the Payams of Kajokeji County and an ox-plough support outreach in Yei and Juba Counties. In the latter areas, the project ensured that the ox-plough bulls were kept in good health for optimum performance. The 6 Payams of Yirol County were an estimated population of over 200,000 heads of cattle while Kajokeji County had an estimated population of over 30,000 heads of cattle.

Project Activities Details

Objectives	Verifiable indicators	Means of verification
<p><u>Rinderpest vaccination:</u> Protecting 20,000 heads of cattle from Rinderpest through vaccination and ear notching for future reference.</p>	<p>16,039 heads of cattle vaccinated and ear notched.</p>	<p>Number of ear notched animals. Cost recovery collected. Rinderpest punch cards. Collaborative reports from other NGOs and counterparts.</p>
<p><u>Blackquarter vaccination:</u> Protecting 1,000 heads of cattle if there is an outbreak through vaccination.</p>	<p>600 heads of cattle protected through vaccination.</p>	<p>Cost recovery collected. Collaborative reports from counterparts and other NGO's with similar ongoing projects.</p>
<p><u>Contagious Bovine Pleuro-Pneumonia (CBPP):</u> Protecting 5,000 heads of cattle from CBPP through vaccination if there is an outbreak.</p>	<p>4,800 heads of cattle protected through vaccination.</p>	<p>Vaccination reports. Key informants. Collaborative reports.</p>
<p><u>Training:</u> To have five more community based animal health workers trained in basic animal health. To have 8 ox plough trainers trained in basic animal health care.</p>	<p>5 community based animal health workers trained from 7th to 20th of August at Jalimo Farmers Training Center 10 ox-plough trainers trained. Their geographical distribution was as follows: Kajo-Keji County 3, Yei County 5, Juba County 2.</p>	<p>Collaborative reports. Training reports. Key informants.</p>
<p><u>5. Community participation:</u> Increased community involvement through consultative dialogue workshops.</p>	<p>A 3 days major Community Dialogue workshop held at Jalimo Farmers Training Center from 2nd to 4th of August 2000. 34 participants in attendance.</p>	<p>Workshop report. Key informants.</p>
<p><u>6. Project sustainability:</u> The project shall have a sustainable community based animal health project.</p>	<p>A one-day privatization workshop proposed during a previous workshop held in Sudan Humanitarian Association (SUHA) compound on 2nd of December 2000.</p>	<p>Workshop report. Collaborative counterpart report.</p>

Disease outbreak report (cont.):

<u>Disease</u>	<u>Date of outbreak report</u>	<u>Action taken</u>
East Coast Fever outbreak in Yei County.	September to October 2000	Blood smears collected and sent to UNICEF for confirmation. Support therapy
Black Quarter disease outbreak in Yirol County.	First report in April 2000	Supportive therapy, protecting 22,011 heads of cattle through vaccination

Training:



10 Community Animal Health Workers (CAHWs) were trained to increase coverage in the Western Payam of Yirol County. One NPA ox plough trainer was invited to participate. 5 more CAHWs and 8 ox plough trainers were trained in Kajo-Keji County.

ii) Yei County:

<u>Objective</u>	<u>Verifiable indicators</u>	<u>Means of verification</u>
<u>Rinderpest vaccination:</u> Protecting 100 heads of cattle from Rinderpest through vaccination and ear notching.	800 headhis of cattle vaccinated against Rinderpest and ear notched.	Animals ear notched. Number of vials issued from the store. Cost recovery money collected.

iii) Yirol County:

Objective	Verifiable indicator	Means of verification
<p><u>Vaccination:</u> Protecting 70,000 heads of cattle from Rinderpest through vaccination by 31st December 2000.</p>	<p>56,053 heads of cattle vaccinated and ear notched.</p>	<p>Rinderpest vaccination punch cards. Reduction in livestock mortality. Cost recovery money collected.</p>
<p><u>Dialogue workshop:</u> Increased community participation through consultative dialogue workshops.</p>	<p>A major dialogue workshop attended by 48 community leaders held in Yirol town from 21st to 23rd of February 2000. A follow up major community dialogue workshop attended by 61 participants conducted in Yirol town from 7th to 9th of November 2000.</p>	<p>Workshop report. Key informants. Collaborative reports from UNICEF/NGOs and Counterparts.</p>
<p><u>Training:</u> To have 10 new Community Animal Health Workers trained in basic animal health care.</p>	<p>10 new CAHWs and one ox plough trainer trained in Mabui Farmers Training Center from 15th to 30th of February 2000.</p>	<p>Training report.Collaborative report from the counterparts.</p>
<p><u>Capacity building:</u> Upgrading the skills of veterinary payam supervisors through training.</p>	<p>6 Payam Supervisors from Yirol County sent to Uganda Institute Of Managment for a 5 days strategic planning workshop from 7th to 11th of August.</p>	<p>Collaborative reports from Counterparts.</p>