

CONTRIBUTION OF GOAT FARMING TO HOUSEHOLD ECONOMIC SUCCESS AND FOOD SECURITY



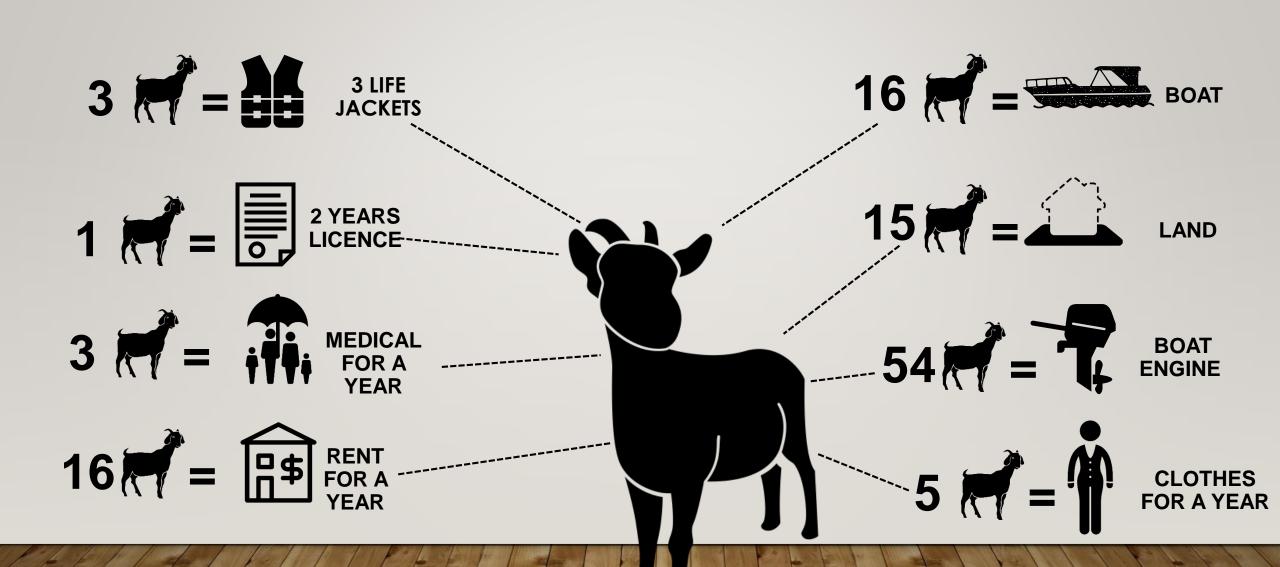
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WHY GOAT FARMING?



- Requires little capital
- Care and management is easy
- Makes quicker returns
- High demand
- Nutrition
- Great income source for the women, youth, children

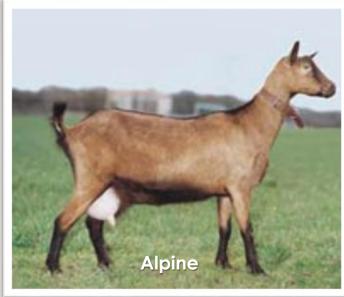
- More suitable for small scale farmers
- Sexual maturity within 7-12 months
- Risks are less
- No religious taboo against goats
- It is easier to increase the population of goats than large stock



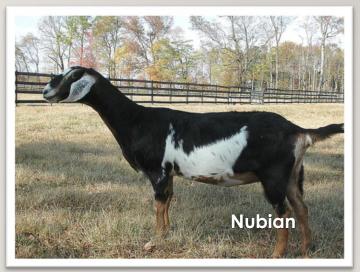
DAIRY GOAT BREEDS

- Saanen
- Alpine
- Toggenburg
- ♦ (Anglo) Nubian
- ❖ Nigerian Dwarf







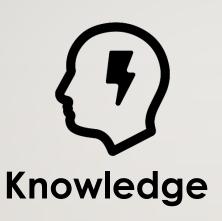


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Capital



Market



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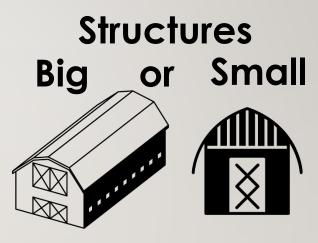


Decide Milk

Meat



Breed



Free Range

Zero Grazing or



CAPITAL



Small

0-50





Medium







Feeds

Big









LAND

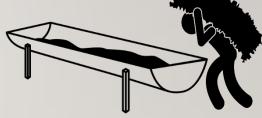




1acre + 0-20

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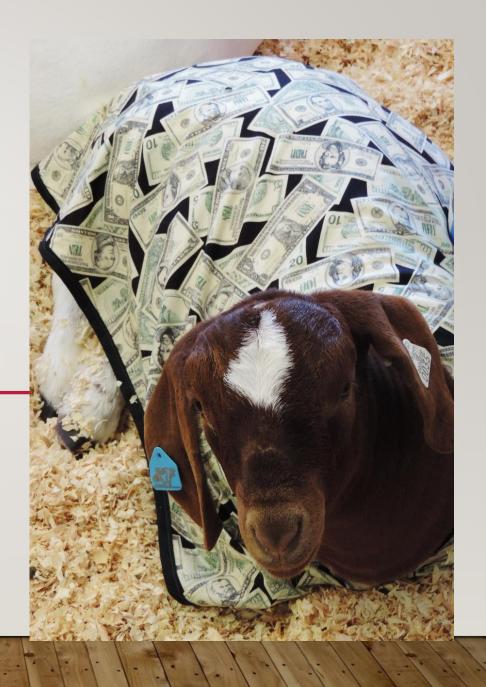




1/2 acre + 0-40



WHERE IS THE MONEY?



GOAT MARKETS



- Currently, the market is highly informal and middlemen dominate transactions.
- Sales are predominantly at farm gate level
- There is lack of market information

MARKET OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO GOAT FARMERS

Individual traders

 This market comprises individual buyers who buy goats for resell in high value urban markets

Private sector companies (Abattoirs, butcheries and others)

- Requires huge volumes of goats to serve both the local market and the export market
- Emphasis is on quality, consistency and timely supply

Other groups:

- The Moslem community provides a market during their religious events.
- The goats are slaughtered according to Halaal tradition
- There are specific butcheries and abattoirs that serve the Moslem community





Non-Governmental Organizations:

- NGOs involved in restocking programmes provide a market for breeding stock e.g in Karamoja region
- They pay competitive prices

Export market:

- The export demand is found in Asian countries and other African countries.
- The market is more demanding in terms of requirements
- Requires organized effort eg Cooperatives



WHERE IS THE MONEY?



Male goats = 250,000/=

Female goats = 150,000/=

Male **Hybrid goats**

Female Hybrid goats



450k - 5m



400k +



Milk 8000/= per Litre



hides & skins



horns



WHERE IS THE MONEY



10 goats

20 goats = In 7 months

10 goats



40+ goats In 14 months Sell 10 goats = 1.5m After 14 months

10 goats



120 goats In 5 years

You can Earn **Every 7months**

CONSTRAINTS IN COMMERCIAL GOAT FARMING

- Poor goat management skills
- Disease e.g diarrhoea, pneumonia, tetanus etc
- Unavailability of vaccines. Fake farm inputs. Inaccessibility of Vet services
- Lack of proper proper standards on key issues eg construction, transportation etc
- Difficulty in getting good quality breeding animals
- Market
- Rampant goat thefts
- Poor record keeping etc

CONCLUSION

- Goat farming is a traditional, profitable, low risk and very easy business due to its fast growing rate
- Goat farming can unlock prosperity for our country
- Proper care and good management can ensure better production and high profit



