

## A REPORT ON SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS ATTAINED DURING INDUSTRIAL TRAINING AT KASOLWE STOCK FARM – NAGRC&DB.

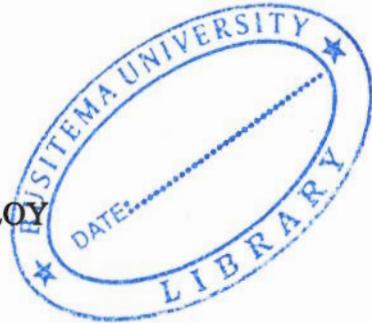
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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

NAGRC&DB	National Animal Genetic Resource Centre and Data Bank.
KSF	Kasolwe Stock Farm
ABC	Animal Breeding Centre
G	Gram
Kg	kilogram
AI	Artificial insemination
Mr.	Mister
Mrs.	Mistress
LDL	Lower dipping level
PD	Pregnancy diagnosis
AI	Artificial insemination
I.e.	That is
TBDS	Tick bone disease

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## **ABSTRACT**

KSF is a government farm, it comprises of six main enterprises i.e., piggery, small ruminants, cattle, poultry, aquaculture, and a feed processing plant. It's aimed at increasing production and productivity of small holder farmers in the greater Busoga region. the internship at KSF provided practical skills, field practice and experience to enhance the theoretical knowledge that is learnt from class. My objectives were to acquire knowledge and skills about the following;

- Animal diseases, signs and symptoms
- Feed processing and packaging
- Maggot production
- Pasture establishment and management
- Animal husbandry practices and get hands on experience e.g., castration, identification, and dipping and pregnancy diagnosis.

Routine management practices included census, inspection, verification, dipping, and treatment, cleaning and feeding of livestock.

The training revealed that the theory taught in class is similar to what is practically done in the field for example the drugs, route of administration, dosage and importance are the same as in class as their results shown practically. It also revealed that for any enterprise to succeed, production and management should move hand in hand. A lot of hard work, sacrifice, dedication and information are paramount therefore more animal scientists should be trained to advice and guide farmers on animal production and management.

## **1.0 CHAPTER ONE;**

### **1.1 INTRODUCTION**

Kasolwe Stock Farm is one of the twelve livestock center farms managed by NAGR&DB under MAAIF located in Bulagala B village, Kasolwe Parish, Kagumba Sub-County Kamuli district 22 km from Kamuli town along Bukungu road with a total land size of 1920 acres.

### **1.2 HISTORICAL BACKGROUND**

The farm started in 1969 as a citrus farm but insufficient water sources led to its transformation into a Friesian/ dairy farm which also didn't thrive due to insurgency until 2003 when NAGR&DB started the management of the farm which transformed it into a conservation livestock farm for especially indigenous East African Short Horned Zebu and Small East African goats in line with the Conservation of biodiversity, sustainable utilization and development of indigenous animal genetic resources in NAGR&DB as stipulated in the five year (2015/16-2020/21) strategic development plan.

Under the Busoga Livestock Transformation Project, the farm is undergoing transition into a center of excellence in livestock farming to serve the entire Busoga region to enhance livestock production and productivity for different livestock species; cattle, goats, piggery, duo- purpose poultry and fish for small holder farmers.

### **1.3 VISION**

To be a leader in profitable production and efficient service delivery of animal genetic resources and services in East Africa

### **1.4 MISSION**

To establish a comprehensive and sustainable National Animal Breeding Program which meets the commercial and development interests of the actors along the livestock subsector value chains.

### **1.5NAGRC & DB GOAL**

To enhance the competitive and sustainability of the livestock industry