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DEDICATION

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

NAGRC&DB National Animal Genetic Resources Centre and Data Bank.

KSF Kasolwe Stock Farm

ABC Animal Breeding Center

i.e. That is to say

ECF East Coast Fever

TBDS Tick Borne Diseases

Dr. Doctor

e.g. For example

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ABSTACT

The objective of this industrial training is to make students benefit from the skills and knowledge gained from the fields, apply the knowledge they got from the classroom in the field and build confidence in the students. I held my internship at Kasolwe Stock Farm from the 28th of February 2022 to 6th May 2022. KSF is a government farm with five main enterprises i.e.; cattle, poultry, piggery, aquaculture and nutrition. It is aimed at training farmers to produce high quality and quantity milk, beef, pork, eggs, chicken, fish and feeds. The major activities include; Pond construction, sexing, sampling, grading, feeding, pond maintenance under aquaculture section, Census, disinfection of all units, inspection, treatment, isolation of sick birds, feeding, cleaning poultry units, collecting eggs, litter management, replacement of the disinfectant, assembling and installation of the hatchery in the poultry section, Feed formulation, feed mixing, postharvest handling and pasture establishment in the nutrition section, Castration, pregnancy diagnosis, branding, deworming, artificial insemination, dipping, census and verification, inspection, treatment, ear tagging in the cattle section, goats and piggery section. These activities have made me to gain a lot of skills and knowledge such as feed rationing and mixing of different animal feeds both manually and mechanically using the feed mill at the feed plant, sexing of fish that is tilapia, mirror carp and cat fish to differentiate male from female, construction of a pond by digging, sampling of fish using a fry net, grading of fish according to species, size and health, maggot production for feed formulation and pregnancy diagnosis in cattle. During internship, I also face some challenges like language barrier with some of the staff, lack of hostels at the farm, insufficient pastures, long distance moved to the farm, poor infrastructures like calf pen units and employment of professionals who can speak common language, speeding up construction of hostels, renovation of poor infrastructures, planting pastures and pasture preservation were some of the possibilities. In conclusion all the activities were implemented and industrial training was carried out successfully. I was able to gain a lot from it. I was in position of getting practical skills and knowledge in line with my career and relating with people in the field. Much as all were successfully done, there were also some little challenges which hindered the smooth running of the activities making me recommend that more animal husbandry officers should be trained to guide and advise farmers who are facing hardships in production and management.

CHAPTER ONE;

INTRODUCTION

1.1 History of the farm

Kasolwe Stock Farm started in 1969. It is located in Bugabula 'B' village, Kasolwe Parish, Kagumba Sub County Kamuli district and 22kms from Kamuli town along Bukungu road.

Initially, the farm was citrus farm but, due to insufficient water sources, it was later transformed into a Friesian /Dairy farm which did not thrive due to insurgency and until about 2003 when the farm transit to conservation livestock farm for especially, the indigenous East African Short Horned Zebu [EASHZ], and small East African goat. This key result area is in the line with the conservation of Biodiversity, sustainable utilization and development of indigenous animal genetic resources NAGRC & DB as it stipulated in the five year [2015/16-2020/21] strategic development plan

Kasolwe Stock Farm also started an upgrade of the indigenous EASHZ with the Jersey breeds of Dairy cattle to meet the community demand in terms of milk. Until Financial year 2019/20, Under Busoga Livestock Transformation Project farm is in the revolutionilization of livestock farming into center of excellence to serve the entire eleven districts of the greater Busoga region [Kamuli, Jinja, Mayuge, Bugiri, Iganga, Namutumba, Bugweri, Buyende, Luuke and Namayingo]

This revolution was formulated to increase resilience, Wealth and positive livelihood outcomes among the small players along the livestock value chain. This project is focusing on enhancing livestock production and productivity for the different livestock species; Cattle [Dairy and Beef, Goats [Meat goats], Piggery, Poultry [Duo purpose birds-Kuroiler] and fish. The goal of the project is to increase the production and productivity of small holder farmers in the greater Busoga region with the revitalization of the Kasolwe stock farm to serve as a center of excellence for Animal Resources Business Incubation, Breeding and innovation

1.2 Vision of the farm

To be a leading, profitable production and efficient delivery of animal genetic resources and services of East Africa