

## **Dairy Knowledge Fair and Technical Workshop**

### **Purpose:**

Australian Trade Commission (Austrade) facilitated the visit of a commercial dairy delegation from Pakistan to Australia in September 2006 and during their visit to Australia, these Pakistan dairy companies decided to import improved dairy cattle using their own funds. At the same time, it was recognized by the Australian & Pakistan Government that the importers would need technical support in order to ensure these high performance cattle could thrive under the harsh conditions in Pakistan.

The **technical workshop** is an attempt to backstop this private initiative with adequate technical information targeting high performance dairy cattle (as opposed to the ASLP/ACIAR dairy project, which is targeting small-livestock holders using local breeds). Thus ASLP/ACIAR component is facilitating the transfer of knowledge and not a research identification/prioritisation exercise.

The technical elements of the workshop will focus on management strategies required for these high performing animals to deliver their production potential, taking into account the environmental conditions they will experience in Pakistan. Workshop participants will include representatives of the Pakistan commercial dairy sector, dairy experts from the national, provincial and university sectors, Australian dairy experts and related industry service providers. Topics covered will include best practice nutrition for profit, herd health, calf management, managing cows in harsh environments, and current research on constraints identified by producers.

The added benefit of the technical workshop is the opportunity to further tighten the linkage between the Austrade commercial mission and ACIAR dairy components of the ASLP, as well as providing a forum for the generation of additional linkages between Pakistan and Australia in the field of dairy production.

The **dairy knowledge fair** component has been organised by Austrade who have uses this forum to bring in Australian private sector providers from the dairy sector. The workshop is specifically targeting high performance cattle, and the high end of commercial dairy production with the key motivation to minimise /address the risks associated with performance of the imported cattle in Pakistan.

### **Program Details**

**Event : Dairy Knowledge Fair and Technical Workshop**

**Veune : Shalimar hall, Pearl Continental Hotel, Shahrah-e-Quiad-e-Azam, Lahore**

**Days : 20<sup>th</sup> February to 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2007 (for specific details please refer to attached pages)**

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*Lahore: 20-23 February 2007*

**Day 1: Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2007**

**Inaugural Session**

<b>1900-1905</b>	Recitation from Holy Quran
<b>1905-1915</b>	Welcome remarks by Mr. Babar Yaqoob, Secretary, Livestock & dairy Development Dept., Govt. of Punjab
<b>1915-1925</b>	Remarks by Dr. Bill Winter, Research Program Manager, Australian Centre for International Agriculture Research (ACIAR)
<b>1925-1935</b>	Remarks by Tony Burchill, Australian Trade Commissioner
<b>1935-1945</b>	Remarks by Mr. Ismail Qureshi, Secretary, Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock
<b>1945-1955</b>	Remarks by Her Excellency Ms. Zorica McCarthy, Australian High Commissioner
<b>1955-2005</b>	Remarks by His Excellency Chaudhry Pervaiz Elahi, Chief Minister of Punjab
<b>2005-2015</b>	Remarks by His Excellency Mr. Sikandar Hayat Khan Bosan, Federal Minister for Food, Agriculture & Livestock
<b>2015-2025</b>	Vote of thanks by Dr. Muhammad Afzal, CEO, Livestock & Dairy Development Board
<b>2030-2130</b>	Dinner

**Day 2: Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2007**

**Technical Workshop: Presentations by Australian & Pakistani Experts, (ACAIR facilitated)**

*Each session will have presentations on the Pakistan and the Australian experiences and practices surrounding each topic (25 minutes each); round-table discussions (20 min); feedback from 2 tables (20 min). The presentations should cover constraints that are being addressed in current research. The feedback from round-tables will identify areas for potential ongoing interaction between Pakistan and Australia.*

0830 – 0900	<b>Introduction and Workshop Objectives</b> (Dr. Bill Winter, RPM, ACIAR)
0900 – 1030	<b>Session 1: Nutrition</b> (Dr Peter Doyle, Dept Primary Industries, Victoria; Dr. Talat Pasha, UVAS)
1030 – 1100	Morning tea
1100 – 1330	<b>Session 2: Herd Health</b> (Dr John House, University of Sydney; Dr. Ghulam Muhammad, UAF)
1330 – 1430	Lunch
1430 – 1600	<b>Session 3: Managing Cows in Harsh Environments</b> (Dr Tom Cowan, Dairy Consultant, Queensland; Dr. Hassan Raza, Expert, L&DDB)
1600 – 1630	Afternoon tea
1630 – 1800	<b>Session 4: Calf Management</b> (Dr Peter Wynn, University of Sydney; Dr. Abdul Ghaffar Khan, NARC)
1900 – 2100	Conclusion of technical workshop & Dinner

**Day 3: Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2007**

**Industry exposition (Australian Commercial Mission companies facilitated by Austrade)**

0900 - 0930	Introduction to Austrade by Mr. Robert Sutton, National Manager: Agribusiness & Consumer, Austrade
0930 – 1045	Session 1: Presentation by Mr. Matt Brown, Ausprex Consultant
1045 – 1115	Morning tea
1115 – 1300	Session 2: Presentations by other representatives & clients
1300 – 1400	Lunch
1410 – 1600	Q&A with Pakistan Dairy Development Company & Pakistan Dairy Milk Processor Association & other relevant dairy Customers