

Best practice health and husbandry of cattle, Cambodia

Key details

Location

Cambodia

Duration

Start Jun 2007

End Dec 2012

Budget

AUD 964,513

Commissioned organisation

The University of Sydney

Partners

Agricultural Extension Department; Charles Sturt University; Department of Animal Health and Production; International Center for Tropical Agriculture; Royal Academy of Cambodia; Tristan Jubb Veterinary Consulting

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Program Livestock Systems

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Overview

Village producers own the majority of large ruminant livestock in Cambodia, and up to 25% of cattle are currently

exported.

However production income is limited by common diseases such as haemorrhagic septicaemia, foot-andmouth disease, blackleg and parasites plus poor nutritional, breeding and general husbandry and livestock management practices.

There was an opportunity to increase cattle production and address rural poverty.

This project aimed to improve profitability of large ruminant production by smallholders. Working at six project sites consisting of three sets of 'matched' villages, the project team compared the effects of introducing a 'best practice' health and production package.

