

Smallholder goat value chains in Pakistan; challenges and research opportunities



Key details

Location

Pakistan

Duration

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Budget

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Commissioned organisation

The University of Melbourne

Partners

University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, Lahore; National Agricultural Research Centre

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Livestock Systems

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Value Chain Collaborative Research program

(AVCCR), which identified goat meat value chains within Pakistan as a high priority for further research. The AVCCR targets strategic value chains impacting smallholder livelihoods and focuses on social equity and the empowerment of women as fundamentals to development.

The scope of this project was to more fully describe the goat industry, including production and marketing systems, and identify future research for development needs throughout the value chain that aligns with the core goals of the AVCCR Program.

Project outcomes

- Mapping and analysing predominant goat value chains linking smallholder farmers to markets including the value smallholders deriving from them.
- Investigating smallholder farmer perceptions on their engagement with goat value chains and the role that women play both on-farm and post-farm gate.
- Identifying research opportunities for improved smallholder goat producer engagement with, and contribution to, specific goat meat value chains.

Overview

This project aimed to improve strategic value chains to significantly and equitably benefit the rural poor, particularly women, living in the Punjab and Sindh.

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