

## SUMMARY AND PROGRESS OF FIRST CALL PROJECTS

**Project Title: Understanding of potential and critical constraints to marketing of goats in the Western Hills of Nepal (135/059/060)**

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**Address:** Regional Agricultural Research Station, Lumle, Kaski  
**Duration:** One year [Nov 2003 to Oct2004]  
**Budget:** NRs. 5, 27,563.00  
**Location:** ARS, Lumle and its Research Command Area  
**Purpose:** Goat marketing constraints identified and potentials explored  
**Outputs:** Marketing constraints and problems identified.

This is the completed project. Detail technical of the project findings are available in NARDF

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1	Marketing constrains and Problems Identified	<p><b>Identification of production constraints</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Absence of selection system</li> <li>2. Predators (wild animals)</li> <li>3. Poor nutrition and health lead to infertility</li> <li>4. Internal parasites</li> <li>5. Feed shortage: fodder grass shortage and grazing problem</li> <li>6. Lack of nutritious fodder</li> <li>7. Manpower constraints: Young are no more interested in goat raising.</li> <li>8. Unhygienic shed.</li> </ol> <hr/> <p>Explore existing goat marketing constraints</p> <hr/> <p><b>a. Existing goat marketing system</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Farmers themselves involved in marketing</li> <li>2. Most of the goats were marketed through the middle man.</li> <li>3. Wholesalers rarely involved in marketing.</li> </ol> <hr/> <p><b>b. Marketing Constraints</b></p> <p>Lack of organized marketing system at village as well as district head quarter.  Unfair market price  No systematic Transportation system  Lack of minimum support price.  Lack of processing facilities.</p>
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