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ACRONYMS

AEC	Agro-Enterprises Centre
AFU	Agriculture and Forestry University
B.S.	Bikram Sambat
CBS	Central Bureau of Statistics
CDCAN	Central Dairy Cooperatives Association of Nepal
CIP	Cleaning-in-place
DDC	Dairy Development Corporation
DFTQC	Department of Food Technology and Quality Control
DIA	Dairy Industries Association
DLS	Department of Livestock Services
DoC	Department of Cooperatives
DT	Dairy Technology
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organisation
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GoN	Government of Nepal
HRD	Human Resource Development
MIS	Management Information System
MOALD	Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development
NARC	Nepal Agriculture Research Council
NASA	Nepal Animal Science Association
NDA	Nepal Dairy Association
NDDDB	National Dairy Development Board
NDSA	Nepal Dairy Science Association
NEFOSTA	Nepal Food Scientists and Technologists Association
NPC	National Planning Commission
NVA	Nepal Veterinary Association
NVC	Nepal Veterinary Council
P.U	Purbanchal University
PSC	Public Service Commission
R&D	Research and Development
SAP	System Application & Product
SMP	Skimmed Milk Powder

FOREWORD

Production and marketing of milk and milk products is on the increasing trend due to increased market access, and change in the consumer habits and demand. It is mainly due to the improved government interventions and support services through number of livestock development programme and projects. However, per capita requirement of milk, as recommended by WHO, is yet to be achieved in the country. It can be expected that this lacking will be met within couple of years.

Development of agriculture is a pre-requisite to the overall economic growth of Nepal. Production of safe and quality raw materials for industrial processing should be the main goal of agricultural production, and safety and quality assurance of processed agro-products is must for sustainable agriculture development. Till date, Nepalese agriculture is seriously lacking in achieving sustainability by assuring the safety and quality. Dairy sector is not the exception to this reality.

Major problem is inadequate number of technical human resources providing services in the dairy value chain across the country. Furthermore, there is no clear action plan to integrate dairy value chains with the academic programs producing technical dairy human resources.

To help resolve HR problem, this one-day workshop on **Availability and Requirement of Dairy Science and Technology Related Human Resources in Nepal** with the theme **Human Resource Development for Sustainable Dairy Sector Development** is a timely effort. We hope the compilation of workshop recommendations, full papers presented in the event and other details in the form of this Proceeding would be a milestone for the dairy sector development.

We hope this publication will be a reference document for the planners and decision-makers, entrepreneurs, academia and other dairy value chain stakeholders.

We want to express our sincere thanks to the editorial team, especially Mr. Tek Bahadur Thapa, Chairman, Nepal Dairy Science Association, for his efforts bringing out this proceeding.

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PREFACE

Dairy development is one of the key drivers of the national economy, and the share of dairy (milk) in the national economy (GDP) is around 9 % which is very significant. According to the Ministry of Agriculture and livestock development, Nepal produced 1,911,239 MT of milk during fiscal year 2073/74 (2016/17). Most of the milk is consumed or passes through informal channel, and only around 17% of the total production passes through formal channel or through the public and private sector dairy plants.

Significant quantities of value-added dairy products are imported such as milk powders, baby foods, cheeses, long-life milk and cream, butter, ghee etc which could be produced in the country provided adequate processing facilities and trained dairy manpower is available. One of the major gaps in the dairy sector development is inadequate appropriately trained and skilled human resources for the entire value chain of the dairy processing industries. Buzz word for dairy value chain is from *farm/shed to fork/table* (*Goth Dekhi Oth Samma*).

In order to identify the HR dairy sector issues and recommend the way forward, a “***One-Day Workshop on Availability and Requirement of Dairy Science and Technology Related Human Resources in Nepal***” was planned and jointly organised by College of Applied Food and Dairy Technology (CAFODAT; Department of Food Technology and Quality Control (DFTQC); National Dairy Development Board (NDDB); Dairy Development Corporation (DDC); Nepal Dairy Association (NDA); Dairy Industries Association (DIA); Nepal Dairy Science Association (NDSA) and Nepal Food Scientist and Technologist Association of Nepal (NEFOSTA). The objective was to assess existing scenario and future requirements of dairy science & technology related human resources in Nepal, and to develop strategies to fulfil the HRD gap.

I would like to thank the Chief Guest and special guests who attended the opening and closing ceremony. Special thanks goes to Prof. Dr. Bhesh Bhandari of University of Queensland, Australia for his valuable participation and thought-provoking presentation on R&D for dairy sector development. I also would like to thank the organising committee chairman and the organisers, resource persons, various sub-committee members, rapporteurs, participants, media persons, CAFODAT staffs for their respective contributions to make this event successful. Special appreciation goes to Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and Nepal Livestock Sector Innovation Project/GoN for their financial and moral support.

Mr. Man B Shrestha, Ms. Sneha Shrestha and her team from CAFODAT worked very hard. Mr. Uttam K. Bhattarai, Member-secretary, Organising Committee worked very tirelessly to coordinate the workshop planning and organisation to bring everyone on-board; and deserves a high appreciation. Appreciation goes to Bimal K. Dahal for his contribution to finalise this proceeding. Thanks to the Chairman, Nepal Dairy Science Association who worked very closely with member-secretary for the successful outcome.

Tek Bahadur Thapa

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CHAPTER 1: WORKSHOP RATIONALE

BACKGROUND

In Nepal formal sector dairy development activities started in 1952 with the establishment of a first Yak cheese factory in Langtang, Rasuwa district. Thereafter, Dairy Development Section (DDS) was established in 1954 within the Department of Agriculture (DoA) under the Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Irrigation. In the same year, with the initiation of DDS a small-scale milk processing plant was established in Tusal of Kavre district. In 1955, the Government of Nepal formed a Dairy Development Commission with mandate of recommending ways of improving dairy sector in Nepal.

Provision of establishing a modern dairy industry in the country was made in the First Five Year Plan (1956-61). Accordingly, in 1956, a Central Dairy Plant; with average milk processing capacity of 500 litres/hour was established in Lainchaur, Kathmandu. In 1960, some efforts were made to produce cheese along with establishment of a Cheese Production and Supply Scheme. The Dairy Development Commission was later converted to the Dairy Development Board in 1962. In order to meet the growing demand of milk in Kathmandu valley, the Board was converted to Dairy Development Corporation (DDC) in 1969. Later in 1992, National Dairy Development Board was established by the government with the mandate of advising and recommending policy level matters related to milk production, processing, marketing and quality control issues along with research and development.

Currently, there are number of institutions working in the dairy sector which are: Dairy Cooperatives, Dairy Development Corporation (DDC), National Dairy Development Board (NDDDB), Department of Livestock Services (DoLS), Department of Food Technology and Quality Control (DFTQC), National Animal Science Research Institute and Food Research Division of Nepal Agriculture Research Council (NARC), Department of Cooperatives (DoC), Agriculture and Forestry University (AFU), Nepal Veterinary Council (NVC), Dairy Industries Association (DIA), Nepal Dairy Association (NDA), Central Dairy Cooperatives Association of Nepal (CDCAN), Agro-Enterprises Center (AEC)/ FNCCI and private industries. Similarly, professional organizations such as Nepal Dairy Science Association (NDSA), Nepal Food Scientists and Technologists Association (NEFOSTA), Nepal Animal Science Association (NASA), Nepal Veterinary Association (NVA) have also been contributing in developing dairy sector in Nepal.

INTRODUCTION

Dairy sector contributes around 9 % in the national Gross Domestic Production (GDP), which indicates its importance in the national economy. However, the issues on quality and safety of dairy products surfaces from time and again due to poor level of hygiene and sanitation. FY 2072/73 data published by DFTQC showed that 24% of milk and milk products sample were either substandard or contaminated. Most of the dairy processing industries have yet to obtain Good Hygienic Practice (GHP), Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) and Hazard Analysis and Critical control Points (HACCP) certification that guarantees the safety and quality of dairy products being produced by the processing industries.

Despite long history of dairy development in Nepal, manpower development, especially technical manpower development activities have not been taken up seriously. Some private technical institutions affiliated with the Centre for Technical Education and Vocational Trainings (CTEVT) and two Purbanchal University affiliated colleges namely College of Applied Food and Dairy Technology (CAFODAT) and Himalayan College of Agricultural Science & Technology (HICAST) are running the dairy technology programs to produce diploma/middle and high-level technical manpower for the dairy industries. These are private sector initiatives and investments. However, dairy technology related programs of CAFODAT and HICAST are not running regularly due to different reasons. It can be said that HR development programs in dairy sector are not getting due attention and priority.

Taking into account of HR issues in the dairy sector, there is an immediate need to strengthen the educational system focusing on dairy technology related manpower production and their utilization in the government and the private sector, so that dairy sector could be developed and strengthened in a sustainable manner. Therefore, this workshop has been planned to bring private sector, cooperatives sector, policy makers, academicians, professionals and other dairy value chain stakeholders to discuss the issues and constraints, and make clearer recommendations to develop stronger, competitive and sustainable dairy sector in the country.

OBJECTIVE

Major objective is to assess the existing scenario and future requirements of dairy science & technology related human resources in Nepal, and to develop strategies to fulfil the HRD gap.

OUTCOME

Proceedings will be published with findings, conclusions and recommendations covering the strategies and programs to be implemented by various dairy sector stakeholders. As well, full technical papers presented by the experts and resource persons will be part of the proceedings.

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

In the workshop, following working papers will be presented by the industry stakeholders, professional and policy bodies;

- a) National Dairy Development Board (NDDDB) – Government Policies and Programs in developing dairy sub-sector focusing on Human Resources with respect to processing and marketing.
- b) Department of Food Technology and Quality Control (DFTQC) / GoN – Regulatory System of Dairy Businesses in Nepal – Challenges and Way Forward.

- c) NDA/DIA/AEC/FNCCI – Private Sector Perspective on Requirement and Availability of Technical Human Resources in Milk Processing Industries.
- d) Nepal Dairy Science Association (NDSA) – HRD for Nepalese Dairy Sector: Current Status, Issues and Way Forward.
- e) CAFODAT – Academic Programs and Capacity Building of Technical Manpower in Operation and Management of Dairy Sector in Nepal.

WORKSHOP DELIBERATION

After the paper presentation session, there will be session for Group Works so as to make recommendation as outcomes of the Workshop. Following groups will be formed: Group A - Policies and Programs; Group B - Technical Human Resources; Group C - Industrial Environment. Within each group, deliberation will be made focusing on the following: Existing situation, Requirements for another 20 years, Gap analysis, and Recommendations i.e. Strategies and Programs interventions to fulfil the gaps. ■

CHAPTER-2: OPENING/INAUGURAL SESSION

The inaugural session of the “*One day workshop on Availability and Requirement of Dairy science and Technology Related Human Resource in Nepal*” started with national anthem followed by opening of the workshop by announcing the theme of workshop by the **Chief Guest Hon. Chakra Pani Khanal**, Minister of Agriculture and Livestock development. **Prof. Jagat Bahadur K.C., Chairperson, Workshop Organizing Committee** chaired the opening session. Before the inaugural or opening session, there was a provision of registration of participants followed by breakfast facilitated by workshop volunteers. Thereafter, formal program started with the arrival of guests, media persons and participants.

After taking seats by the Chairperson and the Chief guest. M. C. Mr. Purna Chandara Wosti invited Special Guests and other dignitaries on the Dias. Thus, invited dignitaries were: Prof. Dr. Ghanashyam Lal Das, V.C., P.U. as Special Guest; Dr. Yubak Dhoj G.C., Agriculture Secretary, MOALD as Special Guest; Prof. Dr. Bhesh Bhandari, University of Queensland, Australia, as Special Guest and Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Karn, DG, DFTQC. Workshop Badges were distributed by volunteers to all the guest and dignitaries on the dais. Mr. Niranjan Timilsina took a note of deliberation as rapporteur.

Welcome Address and objective of workshop was delivered by **Mr. Uttam K Bhattarai**, Member Secretary of the Workshop Organizing Committee welcomed the Chief Guest, special Guest, Guest and other Dignitaries, participants, journalist and everyone who attended the program. Then he highlighted the Objective of workshop, and went on explaining the annual growth rate of 4.4% milk due to various interventions of the government program; Hygienic condition and raw quality milk is relatively poor; lack of investment in the Dairy sector specially expanding the much-needed milk chilling network and processing infrastructures and facilities, and lack of Trained Manpower is a major bottleneck for diversifying the dairy industries in the country. In order to resolve the pressing dairy manpower problem, implementable strategy is needed to address the demand of technical manpower for next 20 years period. The HRD dairy workshop findings and recommendations will be submitted to relevant government authorities along with agriculture ministry, and technical universities and CTEVT to address these issues.

Paper presentation: During the inaugural session, an international paper entitled "**Needs of skill and innovation through R&D for the dairy industry growth**" was presented by Prof. Dr. **Bhesh Bhandari, University of Queensland, Australia.**

He thanked the organizers for the invitation and opportunity for sharing the experience with the Nepalese stakeholders. He said, we are more hypothetical rather than fact based. He explained that there is great importance of R&D in dairy industry development. Globally, big companies invest heavily on Research and Development up to 22-10% of its revenue. Food industries invest up to 1.6% of their total revenues. In world scenario government promote R&D by tax credit in the range of 100-200% tax credit promotion. In Australia farmers contribute 10 cents/kg of milk solids. Price of raw milk 40 cents/litres, after processing in store up to 126 cents/ltrs. R&D provides knowledge and skills for innovation. R&D for profit and Growth; Quality for competition. Quality to Quality formula; Quality raw materials gives Quality products. Packaging; most important for consumer perception. Industry priority; cheap process, low raw material, price, cheap man power and more sales price.

Prof Bhesh Bhandari also advised on how to carry out R&D in a sustainable way. He said, involve the students; develop new products, improve current products & packaging. For R&D, the commitment from the industry is very necessary, thus the products could be improved and innovation product developed. Reverse engineering is one of ways of improving products through duplication, copying and improving. One of the examples is JUJU DHAU (king of yoghurt), it is popular product despite there are issues of hygiene and safety. R&D can help to improve the product and expand the market to various parts of the country, as well outside. JUJU DHAU Bhaktapur technology can be upgraded and produced as Greek style yogurt which is marketed in Europe and outside. He also mentioned the potentiality of producing plant sterol fortified milk, yogurt, butter, ghee, etc. which can help to cut off 10-15% of cholesterol and lowers the risk of heart attack by 40-50%.

In his presentation Prof. Bhandari highlighted the importance of research and development (R &D), role of different stakeholders in R & D and how to carry out research for industrial growth and ultimately the dairy sector growth. The detail of PowerPoint presented is in the annex-3.1.

ADDRESS BY THE GUESTS AND DIGNITARIES:

Dr. Yubak Dhoj G.C., Agriculture Secretary, MOALD as Special Guest addressed the session with his commitment for improving the dairy sector. Dr G. C. further highlighted on the minimum level of value addition in agricultural commodities including dairy sector in Nepal. He also emphasized on developing fancy products with appropriate branding. He opined that research should improve the livelihood and living standard of the farmers. For the overall improvement of the agriculture and dairy sector, practical, hands-on and field based R&D, education is necessary. Dr G. C. also informed about Ministry's program and projects that focuses on education, especially with Agriculture and Forestry University.

Prof. Dr. Ghanashyam Lal Das, V.C., P.U, as Special Guest addressed the session with his commitment to support programs related to human resource development. He further highlighted the need of agriculture related education so as to minimize the trade deficit in the country. Prof. Das also informed that Purbanchal University has been giving affiliation to private academic institutions for agriculture, livestock & veterinary science, as well as food and dairy technology related programs. As well, he expressed PU, s willingness and commitment to support continuing the discontinued graduate B.Tech. Dairy programme under CAFODAT.

Inaugural Speech: Hon. Minister for Agriculture and Livestock Development Mr. Chakra Pani Khanal, as the Chief Guest delivered his inaugural speech. Hon Minister praised the opinion expressed by Prof Dr. Bhesh Bhandari for the development and strengthening of the dairy sector in Nepal, which was technically

sound and complete. He further highlighted that quality and consumer acceptability of product is the most important aspect required for marketing. A proper & competitive R&D model is very much needed in overall in agricultural sector including dairy i.e. dairy value chain. He further expressed his views that education system in Nepal is more theoretical than practical based. Thus, needs immediate improvement. Lastly, he committed his support in improving technical education system in dairy sector in order to produce competent human resources for the industries.

Vote of thanks: Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Karn, DG, DFTQC, as one of the organizers of the workshop, extended gratitude to Hon. Minister Mr. Chakra Pani Khanal, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development (MoALD) for his gracious presence for encouraging the organizers. Similarly, Mr. Karn also expressed his gratitude to Prof. Dr. Ghanashyam Lal Das, V. C. P.U.; Dr. Yubak Dhoj G.C., Agriculture Secretary, MoALD; and Prof Dr. Bhesh Bhandari, University of Queensland, Australia for their presence and contribution in the workshop.

Mr. Karn heartily thanked Mr. Somsak Pipoppinyo, FAO representative in Nepal and Dr. Dilli Ram Sedhain, Project Director, Nepal Livestock Sector Innovation Project, Government of Nepal for their technical and financial support to the workshop.

Mr. Karn also thanked team members of workshop organizing committee for their joint effort in materializing the workshop event a successful one. He further thanked media persons, participants, volunteers, hotel Himalaya and all other concerned persons who helped in one or other ways to organize the workshop successfully.

CHAIRMAN REMARKS:

Prof. Jagat Bahadur K.C., Chairperson of the Inaugural Session and Workshop Organizing Committee, in his remarks highlighted the history of dairy and food technology education in Nepal. He expressed his views on difficulties faced by private institutions in getting affiliation from the universities. Without prior notice, PU has discontinued the admission of B.Tech. Dairy programme, thus requested immediate approval to continue the much-needed course. As well, requested dairy industries, to support college by providing few quotas to dairy students attending in plant training. Prof. K. C. further emphasized on the need and importance of dairy and food technologists and technicians for the country. Without the availability of trained dairy HRD, sustainable and competitive development of dairy sector is almost impossible in Nepal. Lastly, Prof K.C. urged everyone to put their hands together to support the production of quality dairy HR which are very much needed for dairy sector development which has a significant share (9%) in the national economy. !!!!! ■

CHAPTER 3 : TECHNICAL SESSION AND GROUP DISCUSSION

After the inaugural session, technical deliberation was started wherein key industry stakeholders presented the current scenario, issues and constraints and way forward for the dairy sector specially in relation to human resource development for the dairy value chain and dairy processing industries. The session was chaired by the Tek Bahadur Thapa, Chairman of Nepal Dairy science Association supported by two rapporteurs namely Krishna Kumar Rai, SFO, DFTQC and Damodar Dhakal, Dairy Technologist, Biratnagar Milk Supply Scheme under Dairy Development Corporation, as well Pradesh-1 representative of Nepal Dairy science Association. During the session following technical papers were presented;

- a) National Dairy Development Board (NDDDB) – Government Policies and Programs in developing dairy sub-sector focusing on Human Resources with respect to processing and marketing by Mr. Babu Kaji Pant, Executive Director a.i, NDDDB
- b) Department of Food Technology and Quality Control (DFTQC) / GoN – Regulatory System of Dairy Businesses in Nepal – Challenges and Way Forward, by Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Karn, DG, DFTQC
- c) Nepal Dairy Association (NDA): Technical Human resources in Milk Processing Industries by Radhakrishna Sapkota, President, NDA
- d) Dairy Industry Association-Nepal (DIA) – Current Status, Requirement and Availability of Technical Human Resources in Dairy Industries by Mr. Arniko Rajbhandary, President, DIA
- e) Nepal Dairy Science Association (NDSA) – HRD for Nepalese Dairy Sector: Current Status, Issues and Way Forward by Mr. R.T. Chaudhary, Vice-chairman, NDSA.
- f) Dairy Development Corporation (DDC) - DDC Perspective: Technical Manpower Constraints and Way Forward by Mr. Govind Raj Joshi, Senior Technical officer, DDC
- g) CAFODAT – Availability of Technical Manpower and Academic Courses in Food and Dairy Technology in Nepal by Mr. Uttam K Bhattarai, Vice-Principal, CAFODAT and Former Agriculture Secretary, GoN

During the deliberations, the resource persons representing industries, policy and regulatory bodies, professional forums emphasized the industry status, issues and constraints faced by the industries and the sector highlighting the technical human resources constraints of all levels namely floor level, supervisory or mid-level and highly skilled level. The full text of papers presented are presented in this chapter along with PowerPoint's in the annexes.

The major issues highlighted during the presentations were;

- Need for Establishment of National Dairy Research Center (NDRC)
- High risk of zoonotic disease and safety issue of animal origin food products
- Proper implementation of existing policies and plan for the development of dairy sector
- Lack of trained technical human resource and retention problem as well
- Lack of highly skilled human resource for maintenance of dairy plant and equipment
- Challenges in implementation of GMP/GHP in dairy sector largely due to manpower constraints.
- Urgent need of Upgrading and updating the current food and feed Acts and Regulations.
- Harmonization of quality and safety standard with Codex or other countries
- Lacking of technical human resources and coverage of surveillance
- Capacity development for laboratory and its staff.
- Need of strengthening NDDB for development of dairy sector.
- B. Tech Dairy programme and diploma in dairy technology programme as approved by University, CTEVT should continue regularly, and graduated technologists should be employed with priority in the industries, DDC, NDDB, DLS, DFTQC and relevant organizations.
- Basic training on dairy hygiene and sanitation must be made mandatory for dairy personnel who start a basic job in the dairy plants.
- Investment in R&D
- Retention of skilled HR in dairy sector
- High risk of zoonotic pathogens to human health
- Dairy Policy should be implemented with time line
- Huge HR gaps between existing and required technical human resource in dairy sector

FLOOR DISCUSSION:

During the questions, comments and suggestions session, Prof. Dr. Tika Bahadur Karki from Kathmandu University emphasized on;

- Raw milk quality should be standardized and dairy hygiene training should be compulsory to dairy personnel
- Capacity building in research and surveillance of Antibiotic residue, mycotoxin and other contaminants in dairy products should be strengthened.

Mr. Jagat Bahadur KC, Professor suggested;

- Academic curriculum should be updated and upgraded in regular basis in consultation the industry stakeholders;
- The duration of on the job training should be extended like the one implemented by dairy institutions in the neighboring countries.
- Develop and amend curriculum of Lok Sewa Ayog (PSC) for facilitating the entry of dairy technologists as dairy development officer in DLS and Dairy research officer in DFTQC. The qualification B. Tech Dairy/dairy technologist should be added in the positions like food officer/ dairy officer/livestock officers etc. in Lok Sewa Ayog (PSC) mandatory qualifications. Add Dairy Technology in PSC qualification

Prof. Bhesh Bhandari suggested the continuation of Academic course on Dairy Technology in diploma, Bachelors and Master's degree level since in some courses, students are not regularly admitted. As well, Dairy training facility should be developed in the Pradesh also.

Similarly, Senior dairy specialists Arun Shrestha and Ajab Lal Yadav highlighted the need and importance of trained HRD need for strengthening the dairy sector. Bishworam Khadka, Chairman of Kharipati dairy expressed to willingness to support dairy college for internship of their DT students. Mr. Nawaraj Upadhyaya, President, NEFOSTA strongly recommended that every dairy industry should hire dairy/food professional to ensure the safety and quality of dairy products.

CHAIRMAN REMARKS:

Session Chair Tek B Thapa offered the Token of Love to all the resource persons namely Sanjeev Karn, Babu Kaji Pant, Uttam K. Bhattarai, Ram Tapeshwar Chaudhary, Arniko Rajbhandari, Radha Krishna Sapkota and Govinda Raj Joshi who delivered their presentation, as a gesture of appreciation. In his concluding remarks, Mr. Thapa thanked the resource persons for their presentations; as well to the floor for their patience, valuable comments and suggestions. He also requested the MoALD and other relevant policy bodies and educational institutions to implement the recommendations of this workshop, thereby dairy sector can benefit. ■

3. PRESENTED PAPERS

3.1 Government Policies and Programs in Developing Dairy sub-sector focusing on Human Resources with respect to Processing and Marketing

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Balak Chaudhary

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ABSTRACT

Dairy is one of the most important livestock sub components creating employment and income generating opportunities and ensuring food and nutrition security. This sector contributes nearly two third of the livestock contribution to GDP. The sector provides direct employment to more than ½ million farm families in production and more than 10000 in processing sector. This also ensure regular flow of money from urban to rural sector contributing balanced development in the country. Annual production of milk at present stands at 2.09 million metric ton of which 2/3 is produced by buffaloes and remaining by the cattle.

Human Resource (HR) is one of the major and essential components for proper development of dairy sector. A lack of skilled manpower is major constraint particularly in dairy processing sector in Nepal. HR planning depends on capacity and size of dairy plant, products and production technology, level of automation, equipment requirements, number of shift operation, legal provision in terms of labour welfare, seasonal variations, centralized or decentralized operations, degree of contractual arrangement etc. The need for skilled manpower in the processing sector has been mentioned in Dairy Development policy (2064), Ten Year Dairy Development Plan (2074-2084) and Dairy Development Strategy (2014-2034) that needs to be implemented. There is policy gap which need to be updated on time for dairy sector development.

Key word: Dairy policy, Human resource, Processing, marketing, policy

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1. INTRODUCTION

Nepal is predominantly an agricultural country; more than 65% of active population are involved in this sector, which provides about 26.24% to the Gross Domestic Products (GDP). Livestock is an integral and important component of mixed farming system in Nepal. The dairy sub sector is the most important component of livestock sector and contributes almost two third of the livestock GDP shares. The sector ensures flow of money from urban to rural sectors. Above 500,000 dairy farmers deliver milk, with a large number engaged in the milk processing industry in both rural and urban areas. Similarly, thousands of people are engaged in production and marketing of indigenous dairy products like Ghee, Chhurpi and Hard Cheese. Cattle and buffaloes are the major dairy species in the country and yak to some extent in the high mountain region of Nepal. Almost three fourth and one half of the households in Nepal keep cattle and buffaloes respectively. Despite larger cattle population, the buffalo contributes around 64% of

the annual milk production and rest 36% by cattle. This is mainly due to extremely low productivity of non-descript indigenous cattle as compared to the productivity of buffaloes. The dairy sector is gradually emerging as commercial/ semi commercial enterprise particularly in the peri urban areas of the country.

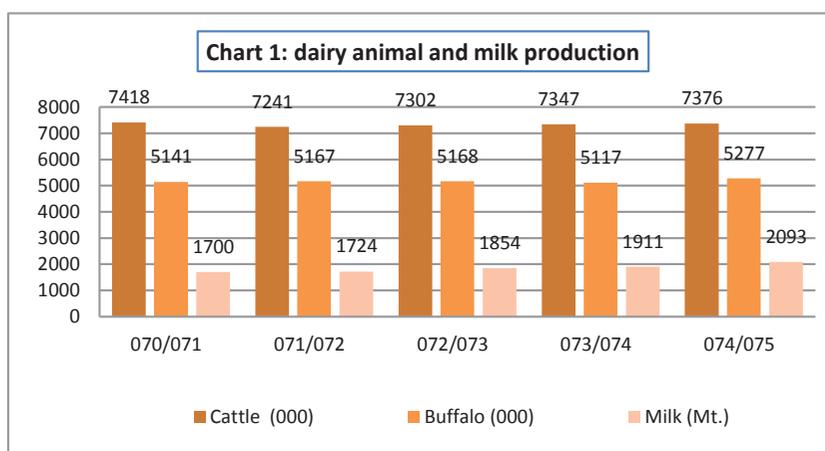
The history of dairy development in Nepal goes back to 6 decades. In the beginning, the sector was led by Dairy Development Corporation (DDC) and gradually the private dairies came in to scenario. At present the private dairy sector shares about 60% of the total volume of milk processed and marketed, whereas remaining 40% is still under DDC. It is estimated about 30 billion rupees have invested in dairy industries. Milk and milk products are being processed by small dairy (1000 to 10000 litre), medium dairy (more than 10 thousand to 50 thousand litre) and large dairy (more than 50 thousand litre capacity) in Nepal.

Dairy sector growth is a function of many factors including policy. National Agriculture Policy (2061), Agriculture Business Promotion Policy (2063), Dairy Development Policy (2064), Ten Years Dairy Development Plan (2074-2084), Dairy Development Strategy (2014-2034), are the key policies guiding to the promotion for dairy development sector and living standard of the people.

Human resource is the key factor for proper development of dairy industries in the country ensuring the quality dairy products to the consumers. Recent studies have identified that there is grossly insufficient trained human resources working in the dairy industries of various capacities. Also the country lacks an academic and training institution that focuses on the development of human resources in dairy sector as per the need of industries. Considering potential of growth of the dairy sector, it has been felt essential to develop trained human resources in dairy sector within the country.

2. MILK PRODUCTION AND PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION

Cattle, buffaloes, Yak and their crossbred are important dairy animals being reared in the country. Yak and Chauri are the identity of high mountain domesticated livestock animal. But production and productivity is marginalized one. Cheese and Chhurpy are main product from the milk of Yak and Chauri. Cattle and buffalo are main livestock animal of Terai to high hill for producing milk. The trend of cattle and their milk production



are increasing annually. Population of buffalo is also increasing except the year of 2073/074 (Chart-1). Data shows percentage increment of milk from the year 071/072 to 074/075 is 1.4, 7.5, 3 and 9.5 percent. Compared of milk production and total population of Nepal is 2093000 Mt.: 20751099 (2019). This figure reflects consumes about 73 liter per person annually which still 19 liter deficit to reach the target set by the government of Nepal. The lactation performance of dairy animals are gradually increasing and is attributable to the government and farmers efforts such as AI mission in cattle and use of sexed semen, but still the burden of unproductive and old cattle and calf is prominent that largely hampers the smooth growth of the dairy sector.

3. MILK DEMAND AND SUPPLY

Per-capita consumption of milk is estimated about 73 liter which is targeted to reach 92 liter. It is estimated that about 15 to 20% of the total milk produced is collected and processed (0.86 million liter/day) by formal sector (dairies), 30-35% by the informal sector (shop, bar, hotel etc.) and rest is consumed by farmers themselves. This reflects about 43 million NRs. goes from city to rural areas daily. Dairy Development Corporation and its milk supply scheme established in different parts of the country has the capacity to process 250 Mt. per day whereas private dairies have installed capacity of processing 1400 Mt. milk per day but are operating at 50-60% of the installed capacity. Their demand of milk in flush season is assumed about 1050 Mt. daily. Due to over production at flush season there has been shown 150 Mt. surpluses (Fig-2) to the dairies.

Regarding the lean season, demand is same but being the low production there is deficit about 325 metric ton daily.

Dairy Industry	Capacity/ Shift	Flush season			Lean season		
		Demand	Availability	surplus	Demand	Availability	surplus
DDC	250	250	300	50	225	100	-125
Private dairies (formal sector)	1400	800	900	100	800	600	-200
Total	1650	1050	1200	150	1025	700	-325

Source: NDDDB study report, 2019

4. HUMAN RESOURCE (HR)

Human resource deals with issues related to compensation, performance, management organizational development, safety, wellness, benefits, employee motivation, training and others. HRM plays a strategic role in managing people and the workplace culture and environment.

As, dairy is one of the growing industries in Nepal, there is a great scope to generate employment opportunity especially for the youth and serve consumers supplying different dairy products and it is most important to run the dairy industries as a profitable service motive business operating through skilled and trained human resources.

A sampling survey of different dairy industries revealed that the technical human resources in dairy industries are grossly inadequate. Considering HR at dairy industry (Table-2) that out of total technicians, 91.79% work in large dairies handling average of 67,000 liter milk daily. While medium dairies absorbed 4.59 percent. On the other hand, small dairies and Cheese are absorbing 2.54 percent and 1.09 percent respectively. Small dairy on an average are handling 2062 liter milk in a day. Out of technical HR, 92.63% are undergraduates and rest (7.37%) is graduates. They are either from Dairy Technology, Food Technology, Veterinary or Agriculture science among graduates while undergraduates are JT/As in agriculture or livestock. Technicians of large dairies are relatively large in number than medium and small dairies. The non-technical staff was higher in number in small and medium dairies compared to large scale dairies.

Description	Types of dairy								
	Small		Medium		Large		Cheese		Total
	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No
M.Sc. Dairy Tech.	0	0.00	0	0.00	2	0.24		0.00	2
B.SC. Dairy Tech.	0	0.00	0	0.00	25	3.02		0.00	25
MSc. Food Tech.	1	0.12	1	0.12	9	1.09	1	0.12	12
B.Sc. Food Tech.	3	0.36	9	1.09	10	1.21		0.00	22
JT/As	17	2.05	28	3.38	714	86.23	8	0.97	767
Total	21	2.54	38	4.59	760	91.79	9	1.09	828
MBA/M.com	5	0.29	12	0.69	27	1.55	2	0.12	46
MPA	4	0.23	8	0.46	12	0.69	0	0.00	24
MA (Eco)	2	0.12	19	1.09	34	1.96	15	0.86	70
BBA	5	0.29	37	2.13	15	0.86	11	0.63	68
BBS/B.Com	8	0.46	49	2.82	48	2.76	2	0.12	107
Plus 2/IA	53	3.05	125	7.20	65	3.74	8	0.46	251
SLC	201	11.57	189	10.88	102	5.87	48	2.76	540
Below SLC	309	17.79	168	9.67	97	5.58	57	3.28	631
Total	587	33.79	607	34.95	400	23.03	143	8.23	1737
Grand Total	608	23.70	645	25.15	1160	45.22	152	5.93	2565

Source: NDDB, 2019

Trained and or experienced HR in any commercial environment will give good insight into how organizations operate. Small dairies have more trained (38.1%) technicians compared to non technicians (8.01%). In case of medium dairies, percentage of trained and un-trained between technician and non-technician (Table-3) are about to same. Considering the large dairies in both condition (technical and non-technical) are about equal. In total it is necessary need to train to the technicians as well as non-technicians.

Type of Dairy	Technical			Non-Technical			Total		
	Total	Trained	% Trained	Total	Trained	% Trained	Total	Trained	% Trained
Small	21	8	38.1	587	47	8.01	608	55	9.05
Medium	38	15	39.47	607	68	11.2	645	83	12.87
Large	760	189	24.87	400	109	27.25	1160	298	25.69
Cheese	9	7	77.78	143	11	7.69	152	18	11.84
Total	828	219	26.45	1737	235	13.53	2565	454	17.70

Source: NDDB, 2019

4.1 HUMAN RESOURCE REQUIREMENT

It is difficult to find any thumb rule to project exact number of HR for any type of dairy industry. Number of technician, maintenance & operators, administrative, marketing and other type of manpower depend on capacity of the dairy plant, level of automation, volume of fluid milk handling, number and volume of milk products like ice-cream, Dahi, Paneer, butter, cheese, SMP and others influences the exact HR required. Based on the research findings and knowledge of the experts,' minimum requirement of manpower for various type of dairy (Table-4) has been projected. Research findings shows that the small dairies are handling 2062 litre fluid milk in a day by 12 staffs. On the other hand, medium dairies on an average are handling only 8308 lit/day i.e. they are operating below the minimum level. The large dairies are handling 66,667 lit/day mobilizing 230 staff. It is found that the private sector has less manpower compared to DDC.

Sections	HR	Dairy Type							
		Available (No)				Required (No)			
		Small	Medium	Large	Cheese	Small	Medium	Large	Cheese
Milk reception	Technical	1	2	12	2	1-2	2-3	3-6	1-2
Milk Processing	Technical	1	2	12	2	1-2	2-3	3-4	1-2
Milk packaging	Technical	2	4	60	0	3-8	6-24	24-36	1-3
Butter and Ghee	Technical	1	2	14	1	1-2	3-6	6-8	
Maintenance	Technical	1	2	16	1	1-2	2-6	6-10	1-2
Chemical analy.	Technical	1	1	22	0	1-2	2-3	6-9	
Micro-biology	Technical	0	1	10	0	0-1	1-2	2-3	
Marketing	Others	1	1	40	1	1-2	2-5	5-12	
Administration	Others	1	2	18	1	0-1	2-3	3-4	1-2
Account/Finance	Others	1	1	16	1	1-2	2-4	4-6	
General store	Others	1	1	10	0	0-1	1-3	3-4	
Maintenance	Others	1	2	16	1	1-2	2-3	3-5	1-2
Chilling centre				108	0				
SMP				33	0				
Total		12	21	387	9	11-27	27-65	68-107	6-13

Note: This estimate is excluded of chilling centre manpower. At the current situation, dairy industries normally purchase milk from privately or cooperative owned chilling centre operated by 1-2 staff

Source: NDDB, 2019

5. POLICIES RELATED TO DAIRY SECTOR

A policy is generally defined as a deliberate action by a government or public authority to alter a naturally occurring condition or a condition shaped by past actions to optimize or maximize common good or welfare of citizens in general or a specific targeted part of the economy or segment of the population. A policy targeted to a specific segment of the economy or population to achieve certain goal may indirectly affect other segment(s) of the economy or population with positive or negative consequences, so the net outcome of any policy action may be larger or smaller than the immediate or direct outcomes.

Dairy sector growth is a function of many factors including policy. Technology and policy interventions can contribute to growth in dairy production by altering the opportunities and incentives for changes in the dairy system from semi-subsistence to market oriented production even for smallholders owning one or two cows. Technologies in relation to feed and veterinary inputs and services are essential for improving productivity and reducing per unit cost of production. General macro-economic and dairy sector related economic policies, especially tariff and taxation policies, can contribute to growth by influencing competitiveness of the domestic producers. Policies for technology delivery, regulation of input and output markets and investment in infrastructure can alter market institutions and transactions costs. Critically, policies can partially determine the winners and losers of structural changes in the sector, determine market participation of smallholder vs larger producers, and employment generation and incomes at both farm and market level.

5.1 DAIRY DEVELOPMENT POLICY (DDP)

The major thrust of dairy policy is to increase milk production and productivity in the rural areas; minimize import of milk and milk products by product diversification; increase the export of quality milk products and supply adequate amount of hygienic milk and milk products to the consumers. Dairy Development Policy, 2064 (2008), has been approved by the government, and is the guiding policy document for overall development of the dairy sector in the country. This policy document was prepared in accordance with the spirit of Agriculture Perspective Plan (APP, 1995-2015); National Agriculture Policy, 2061; National Milk Marketing and Strategy Study, 2001; and Agriculture Business Promotion Policy, 2063. Being based on these documents, all aspects relating to dairy development have been incorporated in the policy. The long-term vision of the policy is to contribute to national economic development by developing the dairy sector for employment generation and poverty reduction with the participation of government, cooperative and private sector and extending the programs to produce good quality milk and dairy products easily available to the consumers. The policy aims for increasing milk production and productivity; extending milk collection, transport logistics and processing industries; substituting import and promoting export of the dairy products with quality improvement and regulation; production and easier availability of milk and dairy products to the consumers.

5.2 NATIONAL AGRICULTURE POLICY

National Agriculture Policy, 2061 is the guiding policy for agriculture sector. It aims to improve living standard through sustainable agriculture development by transforming subsistence agriculture system to commercial and competitive. In order to contribute for food security and poverty reduction through commercial and competitive agriculture system the policy intends to increase agriculture production and productivity, make agriculture competitive with regional and global market by developing bases for commercial and competitive agriculture system, and conserve and utilize natural resources, environment and bio-diversity.

6. CONCLUSION

The dairy industries are currently running with grossly insufficient trained human resources

- Academic institutions should continue the academic programs in Bachelors and Masters Degree in Dairy and Food Technology.
- Assess the reasons on discontinuation of academic program by the academic institutions
- Conduct Training Need Assessment (TNA) of the HR working in dairy industries
- Employ at least 75 percent qualified technical HR by dairy Industries.
- Government of Nepal should strictly follow the provisions with respect HR planning and management mentioned in Dairy Development Policy, 2064 BS, Dairy Development Strategy 2071-2091 BS and 10 Years Dairy Development Plan 2075- 2084 BS
- Establish dairy research institute to develop research and extension in this sector.

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3.2 Regulatory System of Dairy Businesses in Nepal – Challenges and Way Forward

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Department of Food Technology and Quality Control (DFTQC) is the competent government authority of food safety and quality control to implement food act and regulation. DFTQC and its network across the country is doing its best efforts in this direction. The existing manpower working at DFTQC is inadequate to enforce food regulation effectively. The competencies of manpower should be updated by providing frequent trainings. The laboratory at DFTQC has been accredited in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025:2017. Other food laboratories under DFTQC also need to be strengthened and accredited in specific parameters. DFTQC and offices under it have been working inspection works at dairy factory and market with respect to mandatory standards and the dairy directive. The inspection surveys of some chilling centres, dairy shops and industries showed a poor compliance with the mandatory standards and the directive. The present situation should be improved. All efforts in this regard, should be focused to achieve safety and quality in dairy products, satisfy our consumers and develop us in order to compete with the international dairy market.

Key words: Food control system, food safety, technical regulation, food license and stakeholders.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Mandatory or regulatory activities enforced by national or local authorities called “Food Control”. It is to ensure that all foods during production, handling, storage, processing and distribution are safe, wholesome and fit for human consumption. It also helps to confirm that food safety and quality requirements are honestly maintained as prescribed by law. The principles of food control system are rule of law, risk reduction across the food chain, establishing procedure for dealing with particular hazards (eg., recall of product, food borne epidemics), science-based, multi-disciplinary and multi-sectoral approaches. Food control is a widely shared responsibility that requires positive interaction between all stakeholders. To effectively run the food control system in a country, the followings are the fundamental requirements.

1. Laws and regulations,
2. Implementing organization with clear mandate,
3. Inspection and laboratory services and
4. Information, education, communication and training.

2. ACTS AND REGULATION

Food Act 1967 and Food Rule 1970 are the main legal documents to regulate foods including milk and milk products in Nepal. Food Act 1967 has been enforced in all districts and across the country. The main objectives of Food Act 1967 are as follows:

1. to prevent any undesirable adulteration in food or subtraction or extraction of any natural quality or utility from food.
2. to maintain food quality by establishing mandatory standard.
3. to maintain the health and convenience of the general public.

Food Act 1967 includes 13 articles, which makes the provisions to regulate foods including milk and milk products. The act has defined food, adulterated food and sub-standard food. It has prohibited on production and sale of adulterated food or sub-standard food. It has prohibited on sale of food by lying or misleading. The act has given powers to withhold food. Food industries including dairies have to obtain food license from Department of Food Technology and Quality Control (DFTQC). If the producer or seller violates the provisions of this act, they will be punished as per this act.

If any person who violates the provision of section 3 and 4 of this act may be punished with imprisonment for a term five years or fine of Rs. 50,000 or both. Section 3 states about adulterated or sub-standard food and section 4 states about sale of food by lying or misleading. In the same way, if any person who violates any provision of this act or any matter contained in a rule or order framed or issued under this act, other than the matters as mentioned before, may be punished with a fine not exceeding Rs. 10,000. If, any person who violates any provision of this act harms the consumer after consuming any adulterated food, such producer or seller has to provide a reasonable compensation to the victim.

This act also gives clear guidelines about the liability of offense committed by firm or body corporate. It has given mandate to specify quality standard of food. Test of food samples shall be done at the laboratory of DFTQC. It includes provisions of food standard fixation committee. The local body and provincial government also have some power for monitoring food businesses within their confined area. The cases under this act shall be the state cases. The district court shall have the authority for cases under sub-standard, adulterated and lying or misleading crimes, whereas the chief district officer shall have the authority for other punishments to originally try and settle cases under this act.

Decisions made by district court may be filed an appeal in the appellate court and decisions made by the chief district officer may be filled an appeal in the district court within thirty-five days after the date when the decision was made. This act has also given mandate to frame rules, with this mandate Food Rule, 1970 and different technical regulations of foods have been formulated.

Under Food Rule, 1970 many food regulation provisions have been documented. It includes provision about food inspector, sampling procedures, public analyst, case filing procedures, appeal, food licenses to be obtained. It also includes about labelling provisions which states that no packed food shall be sold or kept for sale unless and until a label is put on the wrapper of container of that food specifying the fact or description as in table 1. Food Rules, 1970 rule number 33a states about directive issuance. With this mandate, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development has issued directive on milk and milk products.

Table 1. label information

Name of food product, weight or volume of product, batch number, manufacturing date, expire date, ingredients used: in decreasing order of weight or volume, the name and address of the entrepreneur/manufacturer, DFTQC license number. The description has to be specified in a label shall be in the Nepali or English language.

3. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

By the mandate given by article 7 of Food Act 1967, Government of Nepal has formulated 122 generic food standards and 3 horizontal standards for melamine, preservatives and heavy metals, including 22 for milk and milk products. The names of these 22 technical regulations have been given in table 2.

Table 2. Technical regulations of milk and milk products

Milk, cow milk, buffalo milk, ghee, processed milk, evaporated milk, evaporated skimmed milk, sweetened condensed milk, skimmed sweetened condensed milk, partly skimmed sweetened condensed milk, butter, cream, curd, infant milk food, infant food, whole milk powder, skimmed milk powder, paneer, processed full cream milk, processed low fat milk, processed skimmed milk, processed flavoured milk.

4. DAIRY DIRECTIVE 2075

Milk and milk products are highly perishable food. Under regular monitoring program, DFTQC has found sub-standard milk and milk products due to microbial contamination, recontamination, adulteration and other many quality and safety issues. DFTQC has filed significant number of cases in the court every year but there is no satisfactory improvement in quality of marketed dairy products. The main reason behind it is Food Act 1967, Rule 1970 and Technical regulations of milk and milk products are based on end product testing. Actually, food safety and quality issue is a farm to fork concept. In this rationale, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development has issued directive entitled “*Milk and Milk Products Safety and Quality Directives 2075*”. There is vital role of each stakeholder associated in dairy value chain. The directive has specified the role of each stakeholder in the entire dairy value chain. The roles of farmer, collection centre, chilling center, processor and dairy shop have been clearly mentioned in this directive.

The article 26 of this directive states about the manpower requirement to maintain food safety and quality for dairy industries. Skilled technical manpower is required to increase the compliance rate of dairy industries with respect to the standards and directive. During a survey, the dairy entrepreneur says that the skilled technical manpower as demanded by this directive is not enough for dairy industries in Nepalese market.

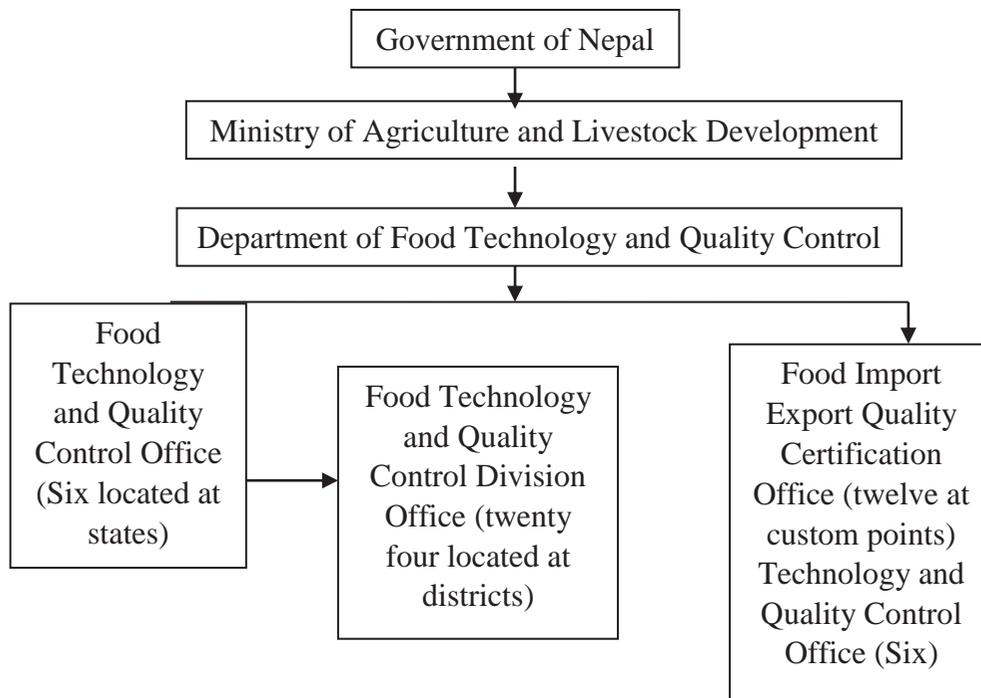
5. IMPLEMENTING ORGANIZATION

The Food safety and quality regulating authority or organization in Nepal is the DFTQC and other offices under it. From the start of fiscal year 2075/076, the network under it has been extended. Ten offices under DFTQC are extended to 42. Presently, we have 6 Food Technology and Quality Control Offices (Biratnagar, Janakpur, Hetauda, Bhairawa, Nepalgunj and Dhangadhi), 12 Import Export Quality Certification Offices (Kakarvitta, Biratnagar, Jaleshwar, Birganj, Bhairawa, Kapilbastu, Nepalgunj, Dhangadhi, Gaddachauki,

Tatopani, Rasuwa and Tribhuvan International Airport) and 24 Divisional offices (Jhapa, Sunsari, Dhankuta, Udayapur, Saptari, Mahotari, Sarlahi, Parsha, Chitwan, Sindhuli, Kavre, Kathmandu, Nuwakot, Kaski, Tanahu, Baglung, Kapilvastu, Palpa, Dang, Surkhet, Jumla, Dadeldhura, Doti, Baitadi). After this office extension, 103 technical food professional posts starting from non-gazetted class one to gazetted class second have been created totaling the posts to 340. Although, this extension is not sufficient to deal the food safety issues arising in Nepalese food and dairy sector, the authors are thankful to the Government of Nepal for this remarkable decision about the extension of DFTQC network. With this extension, it has extended its approach up to 77 districts of the country. The organizational structure of DFTQC has been shown in fig 1.

6. INSPECTION

Food Act 1967 and Food Rule 1970 has delegated powers and responsibilities to the food inspectors to carry out monitoring activities at markets, industries, hotels, restaurants and streets. Around 43 food inspectors are working under DFTQC. The number of food inspector is inadequate to monitor these sectors and for addressing the increasing trends of food adulteration, food safety and other malpractices in production and market areas. With these limited manpower, 32 cases were filed on milk and milk products in the fiscal year 2074/75 as per food law.



Inspection campaign program has been initiated for the fiscal year 2075/ 2076 to ensure safety and quality of milk & milk products, edible oils and processed drinking water. Under this inspection campaign, different samples of milk products were collected as shown in the figure 2.

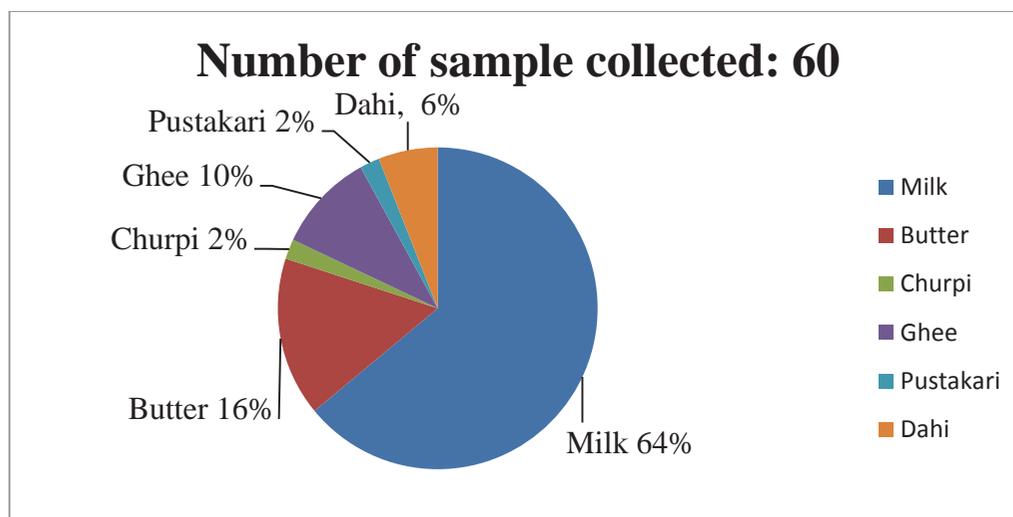


Fig. 2 Sample collection

Under the same campaign program, dairy shops were inspected on cleanliness, storage condition, registration, licensing, labelling of products as well as presence of skilled manpower as per directives in 6 districts near Kathmandu valley. The dairy shops so inspected have been shown as in figure 3. Other similar programs were also conducted by DFTQC and offices under it.

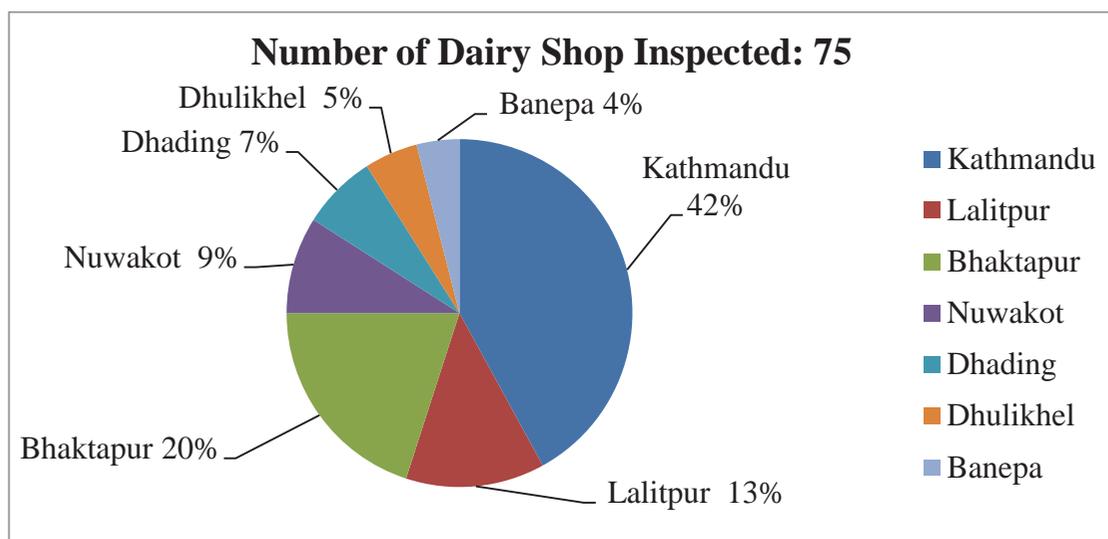


Figure 3 Dairy shop inspections at different places

Under the same campaign program, DFTQC has conducted a survey on implementation of Dairy Directive 2075 by chilling centers, processors and dairy shops at different parts of the country (Table 3 and 5). The compliance rate was found very poor in case of dairy shops. Most of them are lacking with trained personnel, surrounding cleanliness, licenses from DFTQC, product label, personal hygiene and sanitation.

Table: 3 Compliance status of dairy shop (% compliance)

Criteria	Lalitpur	Bhaktapur	Kathmandu	Kabhre	Dhading	Nuwakot
Trained Personnel	17	0	2	1	0	0
Surrounding Cleanliness	35	45	3	27	17	25
Personal Hygiene	50	55	65	32	39	50
Storage Condition	80	75	85	60	7	65
License from DFTQC	0	0	0	0	0	13
Registration with local government (Pan Number)	92	95	98	98	98	99
Product label of fluid milk	0	0	0	0	0	0
Product label of other dairy products	4	5	10	2	2	3

Source: DFTQC, 2019

There is mandatory provision of food industry licensing as per existing food law. The status of license issuance, renew and recommendation of dairy industries from DFTQC and offices under it during the fiscal year 2074/075, have been shown table 4.

Table 4 Food license issuance, renew and recommendation

Office	Number			
	Issuance	Renew	Recommendation	Total
Kathmandu	3	24	22	49
Biratnagar	15	24	55	94
Hetauda	17	33	51	101
Bhairawa	12	17	34	63
Nepalgunj	5	18	28	51
Dhangadhi	0	3	0	3
Total	52	119	190	361

Source: DFTQC, 2017/018

Furthermore, food license issuance and renew status of dairy industries in different offices of DFTQC, till the second trimester of fiscal year 2075/076 is given in table 5.

Table 5 Food License issuance and renew

Offices	Number		
	Issuance	Renew	Total
Kathmandu	3	4	7
Biratnagar	13	31	44
Janakpur	7	2	9
Hetauda	2	11	13
Bhairawa	-	8	8
Nepalgunj	-	14	14
Dhangadhi	28	2	30
Total	53	72	125

Source: DFTQC, 2019

7. FOOD LABORATORY

Food laboratories have a key role to identify the food safety and quality issues. Establishing and functioning of a food laboratory is expensive and purely a technical work. To get the confidence of the service seeker (entrepreneur, business houses and consumer), the laboratory activities should be transparent, documented and systematic. A term “Accreditation” has been coined to address these issues. The National Food and Feed Reference Laboratory (NFFRL) at DFTQC, Kathmandu has been accredited in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025:2017 for 101 parameters including chemical, microbiological and contaminants of 26 food commodities in January 2019. However, there is further need of scope extension for more parameters of various primary agriculture produce and processed food commodities. Other food laboratories under DFTQC also, should be started for the accreditation process. The present manpower working at laboratory is not sufficient to address the food safety issues. The competencies of these manpower should be updated by providing frequent trainings. Periodic transfer as per the Public Service Act is one of the main hurdles to retain the competencies of trained manpower for the laboratories.

8. COMMUNICATION AND TRAINING

Communication is the important part of food control system. The findings of monitoring and laboratory activities should be correctly disseminated to the consumer on time. DFTQC is disseminating the monitoring activities, case filing and laboratory finding to its stakeholders through press meet, press notes and its website.

DFTQC is organizing different training programs to the consumers, small food entrepreneurs and processors. It helps the processors to produce safe and standard products. It helps the consumers to aware about unsafe and sub-standard products. In the broad sense, it helps to aware all stakeholders involved in the entire dairy value chain. Although these activities are not enough, we are doing the best on communication and training activities as per the budget constraints.

9. CHALLENGES

Milk and milk products are highly perishable. To manage food safety in the entire dairy value chain, the followings are some challenge. To maintain food safety in milk and milk products, we need to manage the following challenges.

1. Long dairy value chain: Due to its very long value chain, all stockholders involved in the chain should be responsible for safety and quality.
2. Highly perishable: The nature of the dairy products is highly perishable. Two times milk collection, cold chain management, improvement in road connectivity, establishment of dairy industry, enforcement of food law, recruitment of skilled and trained manpower are some important ways out for solving these challenges.
3. Technological change: Rapidly changing technologies in milk production, processing, and marketing are important challenges. If one can adopt the changing technology, he or she can lead the dairy market share.
4. Science based control system: To achieve food safety in milk and milk products, the entrepreneur needs to develop science based food control system focusing on the consumer protection.
5. Harmonization: As Nepal is a member of World Trade Organization, our dairy products can enter into international market. For this, there is the need of quality improvement. Also, it needs harmonization of food safety and quality standards with the importing countries more preciously with the codex standards.
6. Urbanization: Changing in lifestyles and rapid urbanization can be taken as challenge as well as opportunities for the development of dairy sector. It helps to change us from the sustainable to entrepreneur dairy business.
7. Consumer awareness: Growing consumer awareness for food safety and quality issues helps to increase market share for the quality dairy products.

10. WAY FORWARD

Effective food control systems are essential to manage safety and quality of dairy products. There is the need for updating the existing Food Act, 1967 and regulation. We should take the challenges mentioned above as opportunities. All efforts in this regard, should be focused to achieve safety and quality in dairy products, satisfy our consumers and develop us in order to compete with the international dairy market. Different quality assurance activities are required at different stages of dairy production as under.

1. Farming: Good veterinary practices (GVP).
2. Manufacturing: Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP), Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP), Good Hygienic Practices (GHP).
3. Handling and Transportation: Good Handling and Transportation Practices.

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3.3 Current Status, Requirement and Availability of Technical Human Resources in the Dairy Industries.

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ABSTRACT

Dairying is an integral part of farming system and has created both direct and indirect employment opportunity, improved food security and enhanced supply of quality food contributing to economic growth of Nepal. The project aims to deliver present status, challenges and avenues of improvement in dairy sector in Nepal. Dairy sector contributes 9% GDP. Total annual milk production is 2.082 million metric ton milk (65% buffalo milk and 35% cow milk) throughout the country, out of which around 17% goes to organized dairy sector, 33% to indigenous dairy products producers (informal channel), and remaining 50% to home consumption. The organized sector includes government affiliated Dairy Development Corporation (DDC), private dairy industries and cooperative run dairy processors that encompasses the market share of 38%, 57% and 5% respectively. Formal dairy sector benefits around 550,000 farm families who receive more than NRs 33 million from urban areas daily. Dairy industries have generated more than 20,000 direct employments.

The per capita milk consumption is 72 liters in Nepal whereas FAO recommends 92 liters milk per annum per person. In order to fulfil the requirement, the government has already targeted to achieve the recommended per capita milk consumption by the end of 2020/21.

Formal dairy sector produces 77% fluid milk (market milk), 8% dahi, 7% skim milk powder, 3% paneer, and remaining 5% other dairy products (butter/ghee, ice cream, cheese, sweets). Milk availability to formal dairy sector is grossly divided into two; flush season (September to February) and lean season (March to August). In order meet the demand of milk for the lean season, dairy industries have to use imported milk powder (3200 MT) from India and third countries.

Dairy sector has very high demand of technical/skilled human resources to produce good and hygienic quality dairy products. It is estimated that 140 dairy/food technologist and 1700 skilled CTEVT L-1, 2 junior dairy technicians are required throughout the country.

The main challenges faced by the dairy farmers are i) low productivity of dairy animal ii) high cost of milk production iii) unhygienic milk production iv) poor knowledge about commercial dairy farming v) seasonality of milk production; and challenges faced by dairy industries are i) inadequate cold chain system ii) lack of skilled and trained dairy manpower iii) unfair price competition due to non-registered dairy entrepreneurs iv) lack of implementation of quality assurance measurers.

Avenues of improvement of dairy sector are i) implementation of genetic improvement program as a mission backed by forage development mission in dairy pocket areas ii) preparing and execution of raw milk standards iii) encouraging commercial dairy farming through low interest rate financing with livestock insurance iv) strictly adoption of proper cold chain system in dairy value chain v) providing short and long-term training to mid-level dairy personnel for their skill development vi) need for compulsory registration of dairy entrepreneurs in the government net at least in municipality areas vii) execution of GMP, GHP, HACCP and ISO 22000. ■

3.4 Human Resource Development for Nepalese Dairy Sector: Current Status, Issues and Way Forward

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ABSTRACT

Dairy development is one of the key drivers of the national economy, and the share of dairy (milk) in the GDP is around 9 % which is significant. According to the Ministry of Agriculture and livestock development, Nepal produced 1,911,239 MT of milk during fiscal year 2073/74 (2016/17). Most of the milk is consumed or passes through informal channel, and only around only 17 % of the total production passes through formal channel or through the public and private sector dairy plants. Significant quantities of value-added dairy products are imported such as milk powders, baby foods, cheeses, long-life milk and cream, butter, ghee etc. which could be produced in the country provided adequate processing facilities and trained dairy manpower are available. One of the major gaps in the dairy sector development is inadequate appropriately trained and skilled human resources for the entire value chain of the dairy processing industries. Buzz word for dairy value chain is from farm/shed to fork/table (GOTH DEKHI OTH SAMMA).

Basically, three level of manpower namely floor level dairy technicians, supervisory diploma level dairy technologists (JT level) and highly skilled technologists (technical officers' level) are required for operating and managing the dairy value chain and the dairy industries in the country.

Floor level manpower are required in Milk Collection Centre (MCC) and Milk Producers cooperative Societies (MPCS), Chilling Centre (CC) operation, Plant operators/dairy girls & boys in the processing plants; milk Transportation: manage the milk transportation by cans, tankers, cleaning and sanitization etc.

Supervisory level manpower (diploma level) are required to manage a MCC/milk chilling Centre 1000 LPD or above milk handling; manager of chilling center; supervisor of processing plants and marketing functions. Highly skilled manpower is needed as Plant supervisor, quality controller, marketing manager, dairy plant assistant manager and manger etc.

Many campuses under government supported universities are offering graduate and post-graduate program in Animal sciences and veterinary sciences which are equipped with facilities. However, there is single college offering graduate programme is dairy technology; and few CTEVT approved training institutes offering diploma program in dairy technology established under private ownership. These facilities are not sufficiently equipped and needs support to strengthen labs/pilot training dairy plant. Thus, government should support such specific and specialized campuses of national importance, rather than establishing new facilities under state funded universities.

It is worth taking lessons from Vidya dairy Anand or Model Dairy Karnal model wherein dairy technology graduate students undergo 12 months hands-on practical learning on 12 modules which

includes milk processing, CIP and automation, milk packaging, cheese and paneer, ice-cream, ghee and fermented milks, quality assurance, engineering services and plant maintenance, commercial functions (purchase, stores, accounts), marketing and dispatch, MIS, SAP and house-keeping. In addition to these, several guest lectures from successful entrepreneurs and industry professionals are also organized (JB Prajapati and Gujar MD, DIC, 2019).

In addition, many household-scales dairy business are operated in the peri-urban area and currently emerging small market centers due to increasing road access. To help them produce safe local dairy products, a three to six months comprehensive dairy training programme named “How to Start and Operate Household Dairy Business” should be conducted.

As well, to encourage the students to enrol and participate in dairy technology related trainings, diploma and graduate programmes through fellowships from the government institutions like NDDB, DLS projects, DDC, Pradesh government to study within the existing institutes of Nepal, as well request Colombo plan scholarships and bilateral government fellowships to supplement the much needed manpower for dairy industry development.

Key words: HRD, dairy technology, academic institution, dairy value chain, human resource, NDSA.

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1. BACKGROUND:

Dairying is a part and parcel of mixed farming system in Nepal. Livestock and its products like milk, meat, and hides, contribute 11.5 % of national GDP (CBS, 2011), and 25.68% of the agricultural GDP (MoAD, 2014). Milk and meat are important source of nutrition for the family; thus, dairying is part of overall food systems. According to the Ministry of Agriculture and livestock development, Nepal produced 1,911,239 MT of milk during 2073/74 (MoAD2016/17) fiscal year from 1,029,529 milking cows and 1,509,511 milking buffaloes. The ratio of cow milk and buffalo milk is in the tune of 34.8 % (665,285 MT) and 65.2 % (1,245,954 MT), respectively. The share of dairy (milk) in the GDP is around 9 % which is significant. Around 500,000 dairy farmers are engaged in dairy production and around 30,000 work force is employed by the dairy processing industries in the dairy value chain network. Private sector dairies pay around billion rupees as revenue to the government. However, formal sector dairy processors handle around only 17 % of the production and 33 % passes through informal channel, and remaining 50 % of production is home consumed in the form of milk, tea, dahi, ghee, butter milk and local milk-based preparations. Significant quantities of value-added dairy products are imported such as milk powders, baby foods, cheeses, long-life milk and cream, butter, ghee and so on. One of the major gaps in the dairy sector development is inadequate appropriately trained and skilled human resources for the entire value chain of the dairy processing industries (NDSA 2019). Buzz word for dairy value chain is from *farm/shed to fork/table*.

Based on the information received from the Nepal Dairy Association (NDA 2019) and Dairy Industries Association (DIA 2019), there are 179 registered dairies which are operational. Two of them have processing capacities above 50000 litres per day (LPD); thirty-two plants have capacities ranging from 10,000 to 49,000 LPD, and all remaining are below 10000 LPD handling with a range from 300–10000 LPD installed capacity. In addition, there are number of smallholder processors which are not member of these associations. Table 1 - list of dairies with their processing capacities.

Table 1 : List of dairy processing plants

Name of Dairy Industries	Address	Contact person	Contact No	Processing Capacity	Running Capacity	Major products
Adhunik Dairy Pvt. Ltd	Balaju, Ktm	PurnaDdr. Thapa	9851024538	15000	12000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Bhaktapur Dairy Pvt. Ltd	Bhaktapur	Puspa Ram Sainju	9851035177	10000	4000	Pastaurised Milk, butter
Kalika Dairy Co. Pvt. Ltd	Bhaktapur	Ram Pd tyata	9851047469	25000	19000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee, icecream
Kathmandu Dairy Pvt. Ltd	Kathmandu	Pradeep Maharjan	9851035447	12000	9000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Kharipati Dairy Pvt. Ltd	Bhaktapur	Vishwa Ram Khadka	9851045562	30000	20000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Nava Pravat Dairy Pvt. Ltd	Lalitpur	Kamal Raj Humagain	9851005204	25000	18000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee, Icecream
Nepal Dairy Pvt. Ltd	Lalitpur	Arniko Rajbhandary	9851040572	30000	18000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Puspa Dairy Udhyog	Balaju, Ktm	Pushpa Raj Basnet	9851098368	5000	3500	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Sainju Dairy Pvt Ltd	Bhaktapur	Surya Rm Sainju	9841972860	25000	17000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Rajdhani Dairy Pvt. Ltd	Lalitpur	Raj Kumar Dahal	9851073098	30000	18000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Sujal Dairy Pvt. Ltd, Pokhara	Pokhara, Ktm	Niranjan Shrestha	9856020224	80000	60000	Process Milk ,IcecreamSMP, Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Modern dairy I. Pvt. Ltd	Bhaktapur	Keshav Pd lamichhane	9851087985	15000	10000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Integrated Dairy AndAgro Products Ltd.	Panauti	Krishna Kr. Rathi	9851036233	15000	7000	Process Milk , Butter, Ghee
Sanjeevani Dairy Udhyog	Bhaktapur	Omkar Madhikarmi	9841234055	10000	9000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Chitawon Milk Ltd., Chitwon	Chitawon	Raju Babu Shrestha	9851020605	0		
Jagadamba Dairy Pvt. Ltd	Nhaktapur	Shiva CharanTyata	9851077704	15000	12000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee

Name of Dairy Industries	Address	Contact person	Contact No	Processing Capacity	Running Capacity	Major products
Hetauda Dairy I. Pvt. Ltd	Hetauda	Hom Nath Neupane	9802032095	30000	22000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Kamadhenu Dairy Coop.,	Sunsari	Teeka Pd Ojha	9852046005	20000	15000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee, icecream
Idea Plus Dairy Pvt. Ltd	Lalitpur	Ganesh ghimire	9851075803	0		
Country Food Pvt. Ltd.	Bhaktapur	Santosh Lal Shrestha	9851041873	20000	12000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Samuhik Krishak Dairy Ltd.	Kathmandu	Rabi Rizal	9851137007	10000	5000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Samyukta Dairy Pvt. Ltd.	Lalitpur	Kul Prasad Ghimire	9851094450	30000	20000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Tulasa Dairy Pvt. Ltd	Kathmandu	Ram Chandra Thapa	9851041949	20000	12000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Shivam Dairy Pvt. Ltd.	Bhaktapur	Tulsi Ram Sainju	9851038615	15000	9000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Himilayan Dairy Pvt. Ltd	lalitpur	Raj Bhai Khadki	9851021910	30000	16000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
NMC Dairy Coop Ltd	Jhapa	Shyam Mishra	9852662806	20000	12000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee, icecream
Lumbani Milk Limited	Butwol	Bikram Rizal	9857025335	15000	10000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee, icecream
Milan Dairy Pvt Ltd	Saptari	Milan Singh	9852821900	15000	10000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Kosheli Dairy	Sindhuli	Nawa Raj Gajurel		8000	2500	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Fishtail Dairy	Pokhara, Ktm	Suresh Dhoju		15000	10000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Jeena Bikash Dairy	Bitatnagar	Om Prasad Bhandari	9802796043	12000	8000	Process Milk , Dahi, Paneer, Ghee
Total				602,000	400000	

For efficiently operating dairy value chain livestock specialists, veterinarian, feed and fodder specialists are needed at the dairy production to produce quality milk at sustainable cost, and dairy technologists and specialists are required after milk is drawn from the udder, starts movement from farmer- collection point-chilling Centre-transportation to processing units- milk reception-processing and product making-storage-distribution to the retail outlets-consumers. Nepal Dairy Science association (NDSA) is providing the overview of the HRD for the dairy sector development, particularly focusing on the requirement of dairy science and technology related manpower for strengthening the dairy industries.

2. WHY HRD REQUIRED FOR DAIRY SECTOR?

To develop any sector, specialized human resource is required.

Why a generalized MBBS medical practitioner is not enough for treating patients?

Why ENT specialists or Eye specialists or cardiologists are required?

In the same way, specialized dairy technologists/dairy engineer/dairy chemist/dairy quality control specialist/dairy business management and marketing specialists are required for the dairy sector and industry development; if the nation wants to strengthen and develop a competitive dairy sector.

Do you want to collect quality milk?

Do you want to follow GMP practices?

Do you want to produce good quality and competitive dairy products that can meet export standards for the regional or international markets?

If your answer for above question is; you want.

In that case, you need trained human resources such as dairy technologist and others.

3. HRD REQUIREMENT IN THE DAIRY VALUE CHAIN:

To have a quality dairy production, trained manpower is required in the entire dairy value chain namely milk production and farm management, extension services, Animal health and veterinary care, Milk collection and chilling Centre management, dairy coop society management, quality management, milk transportation, milk processing and product making, plant maintenance, storage, marketing, advertising and promotional campaign, management of entire dairy business. Thus, various types of expertise such as livestock production specialist, veterinarians, extensionist, feed and nutritionist, dairy technologist, Dairy quality controller, dairy and maintenance engineers, marketing and business management and financial experts are required to efficiently run and manage the dairy value chain business. Manpower's specially livestock production, extension, animal health, marketing and business management are adequately available in the market produced by the local universities. However, there is acute shortage of dairy technologists who are required in overall planning and management of dairy industry and business. Specific focus is made to highlight the need of various level of dairy technology related manpower for the dairy processing industries.

4. TYPES OF MANPOWER REQUIRED IN THE DAIRY VALUE CHAIN/INDUSTRY:

HRD manpower especially for dairy processing industries were filled through the Colombo Plan scholarships and bilateral fellowships till 1990. Between forties and sixties, many Nepalese studied Indian Dairy Diploma (dairy technology), before graduate programme in dairy technology started

under NDRI campuses. For some time, livestock and veterinary graduates attended additional dairy technology training and filled the HRD requirement. However, exclusive graduate dairy courses started in 2005, under College of Applied Food and Dairy Technology, and post-graduate programme in dairy technology under HICAST, PU.

Type and level of manpower required for the dairy value chain/industry can be summarized as follows.

4.1. *Floor level manpower (basic training):*

These types of manpower are required in following disciplines of work;

- a. Milk Collection Centre (MCC) and Milk Producers cooperative Societies (MPCS), to basically organize milk collection, quality management and management of enterprises.
- b. Chilling Centre (CC) operation, to basically carry out milk reception, basic rapid quality testing, chilling plant/equipment, accessories and service equipment operation and management.
- c. Plant operators/dairy girls & boys in the processing plants.
- d. Milk Transportation: manage the milk transportation by cans, tankers, cleaning and sanitization.

4.2. *Supervisory level manpower (diploma level):*

These types of manpower will perform following;

- a. Manage MCC/milk chilling Centre 1000 LPD or above milk handling capacity;
- b. Manager of chilling Centre;
- c. Supervisor of various processing sections/units in the dairy plant, packaging sections, cheese section, cream and butter section, fermented milks, dispatch and marketing etc.;

4.3. *Highly skilled manpower (graduate/post-graduate level):*

These types of manpower will perform as Plant supervisor, quality controller, marketing manager, dairy plant assistant manager and manger.

4.4. Man-power for small scale dairy: Small-scale cottage dairy enterprises are common features in semi-urban, rural areas as well around district headquarters. Thus, a package training of technology, business and financial management is required for them which can range from one to three months, followed by refresher trainings after one year or so.

5. CURRENT MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT INFRASTRUCTURES AND FACILITIES:

Vocational junior technical assistant (JTA) in animal husbandry and veterinary sciences courses, under CTEVT

Diploma courses in dairy and food technology: HS + 3 years, under CTEVT

Graduate program in dairy and food technology: HS + 4 years, university programme

Master's program in dairy technology: BTech + 2 years Master, university programme

Dairy training Centre, Pokhara under DLS/MOALD

Bachelor and master's program in Animal husbandry and veterinary sciences under TU and AFU, PU etc.

Numerous short-term training program organized by NDDDB, DLS and various INGOs/NGOs/projects, and the courses are heterogeneous.

Diploma and graduate programme in Dairy technology are only offered by the College of Applied Food and Dairy Technology which started in 2005.

6. ISSUES/CURRENT STATUS:

Many campuses under government supported universities are offering graduate and post-graduate program in Animal sciences and veterinary sciences which are equipped with facilities. However, only college like CAFODAT offering graduate and diploma program in dairy technology is the facility established under private ownership. It is not sufficiently equipped and needs support to strengthen labs/pilot plants. Thus, government should support such specific and specialized campuses of national importance, rather than establishing new facilities under state funded universities.

There is a need to form academic/education institution-industry consortium for skilled graduate training. DDC and other major dairy industries should form a consortium to support to develop skills for the graduates in dairy processing field (such as guaranty of 6 months of placement/training by each industry for at least 4-5 students per year). It should be a structured program. This deserves to be discussed during group discussion and a workable modality should be agreed at the end of this workshop.

In this regard, it is worth taking lessons from Vidya dairy Anand or Model Dairy Karnal model wherein dairy technology graduate students undergo 12 months hands-on practical learning on 12 modules which includes milk processing, CIP and automation, milk packaging, cheese and paneer, ice-cream, ghee and fermented milks, quality assurance, engineering services and plant maintenance, commercial functions (purchase, stores, accounts), marketing and dispatch, MIS, SAP and house-keeping. In addition to these, several guest lectures from successful entrepreneurs and industry professionals are also organized (JB Prajapati and Gujar MD, DIC,2019).

Dairy technology diploma and graduates coming out of the colleges are not getting proper jobs in the government and private dairy industries. Thus, incentives are needed for the students to enrol in the agro and livestock processing related technology courses such as dairy technology and so on. In order to encourage the students to enrol and participate in dairy technology related trainings, diploma and graduate programmes, fellowships should be provisioned from the government institutions like NDDDB, DLS projects, DDC, Pradesh government to study within the existing institutes of Nepal. As well request Colombo plan scholarships and bilateral government fellowships should be requested to supplement the much needed manpower for dairy industry development.

7. WAY FORWARD:

Basically, three level of manpower namely floor level dairy technicians, supervisory diploma level dairy technologists (JT level) and highly skilled technologists (technical officers' level) are required for operating and managing the dairy value chain and the dairy industries in the country.

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In addition, many household-scales dairy business are operated in the peri-urban area and currently emerging small market centers due to increasing road access. To help them produce safe local dairy products, a three to six months comprehensive dairy training programme named **“How to Start and Operate Household Dairy Business”** should be conducted.

As well, to encourage the students to enrol and participate in dairy technology related trainings, diploma and graduate programmes through fellowships from the government institutions like NDDDB, DLS projects, DDC, Pradesh government to study within the existing institutes of Nepal, as well request Colombo plan scholarships and bilateral government fellowships to supplement the much needed manpower for dairy industry development.

Entry of dairy technologists should be assured in the position of dairy development officer, dairy/ food research officer in the department of livestock services, NDDDB, DDC, DFTQC and ministry of agriculture and livestock development.

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3.5 DDC Perspective: Technical Manpower Constraints and Way Forward

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ABSTRACT

Dairy Development Corporation (DDC) is established under corporation Act 2021 B.S. It was established in 1st Shrawan 2026. It is fully state owned corporation, initiated for the economic advancement of the farming communities and has flourished into a nationwide movement with an annual collection over 60 million litres of milk from more than 2 lakh milk producers through 1200 milk producing cooperatives spread out in 45 districts. DDC is a precious asset in the economic development of the nation. The organizational structure of DDC and total seats of human resource is managed by board of corporation.

The level and standard of human resource in DDC is according to following:

Details of Technical Manpower (Till 2074/75)

S.N.	Details	Total Seats	Occupied Seats	Vaccant
1	Officer (Technical)	83	59	24
2	Officer (Administrative)	72	47	25
	Total	155	106	49
3	Assistant(Technical)	674	543	131
4	Assistant(Administrative)	234	162	72
	Total	908	705	203
	Grand Total	1063	811	252

Details of Technical Manpower (Forecasted 2075/76)

S.N.	Details	Total Seats	Occupied Seats	Vaccant
1	Officer (Technical and administrative)	154	98	56
	Total	154	98	56
3	Assistant(Technical)	676	535	141
4	Assistant(Administrative)	233	161	72
	Total	909	696	213
	Grand Total	1063	794	269

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3.6 Availability and Requirement of Technical Human Resources for Dairy Industries in Nepal

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ABSTRACT

Dairy sector is one of the important contributors in national GDP, owing to its 9 % share. However, recent data on safety and quality of milk and milk products show more than half (52.6 %) of samples do not comply with the mandatory standard of the GoN. These data raise question on sustainable development of dairy sector in Nepal. One of the important reasons of such precarious scenario is inadequate level of availing services of qualified manpower, especially technical manpower in dairy value chain. Considering these facts, the paper aims at analysing production level of technical manpower, their absorption in dairy businesses and reviews the academic programs of concerned universities and CTEVT in the country. The methodology used for the study was basically literature review and discussion with national key stakeholders.

Latest figure of milk production in Nepal is 2.092 million tons per year and the average growth rate is 4.4 %. Data reported by DDC, DIA and NDA shows that 289,000 MT of milk is being processed annually. Different estimates show that 17 – 25 % (356,000 – 527,000 M. Ton) of the total production of milk is processed by formal sector. More than half (approximately 54%) of milk producers are either illiterate or general literate or having primary school level education. Most of the dairy processing units do not avail services of dairy technicians or technologists so as to maintain quality and safety of their products. These situations result in higher percentage of non-compliance with the standard. Major cause of non-compliance is the contamination of faecal coliform.

Technical institutes affiliated to CTEVT so far have produced 162 diploma holders' food & dairy technicians. Similarly, colleges affiliated to Purbanchal University have produced 24 numbers of B. Tech. level and about 108 numbers (including dairy specialization M. Tech. Food Technology graduates) of master level dairy technologists in the country. The gap of dairy technologists between supply and demand sides is being met by food technology graduates. Around 1,395 such graduates have been produced from the academic institutes in the country. However, most of the cottage and rural level processing units being operated by private and cooperative sectors are reluctant to get services of qualified technical manpower.

Policy documents of the government of Nepal, especially education and agriculture related policies have sufficiently given priority in producing technical human resources. But, policy documents have not been properly translated into programs and budgets with timeline targets. Similarly, it seems that there is no proper relation between human resource requirement in public, private and cooperative sectors and the universities.

Thus, it can be concluded that one perspective strategic plan with programs, activities and budget along with set time line is to be developed with active participation of public, private and cooperative sectors for the sustainable development of dairy sector in Nepal.

Key words: dairy technology, academic institution, dairy value chain, human resource, processing unit, policy.

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1. BACKGROUND:

In Nepal formal sector dairy development activity was started in 1952 with the establishment of a yak cheese factory in Langtang, Rasuwa district. Later, Dairy Development Section (DDS) was established in 1954 within the Department of Agriculture (DoA) under the then Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Irrigation. In the same year, with the initiation of DDS a small-scale milk processing plant was established in Tusal of Kavre district. In 1955, the Government of Nepal formed a Dairy Development Commission with mandate of recommending ways of improving dairy sector in Nepal. Provision of establishing a modern dairy industry in the country was made in the First Five Year Plan (1956-61).

As provisioned in the plan document, a Central Dairy Plant was established at Lainchaur, Kathmandu in the year 1956. Again, in 1960, other two cheese factories and a Cheese Production and Supply Scheme were established. The Dairy Development Commission was later converted to the Dairy Development Board in 1962. So as to meet the growing demand for milk in Kathmandu, the Board was converted to Dairy Development Corporation (DDC) in 1969. Again in 1992, National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) was re-established. The mandates of NDDB are: suggesting policy level matters related to milk production, processing, marketing and quality control, and research and development.

At present, major institutions working in dairy sector in Nepal are: Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development (MoALD), National Dairy Development Board (NDDB), Department of Livestock Services (DoLS), Department of Food Technology and Quality Control (DFTQC), Dairy Cooperatives, Dairy Development Corporation (DDC), Department of Cooperatives (DoC), Dairy Industries Association (DIA), National Dairy Association (NDA), professional associations, Agro-Enterprises Center (AEC)/ FNCCI and private industries

Dairy is one of the most important sectors of national economy. It has created significant numbers of jobs across the country. Furthermore, dairy has become an important means of rural income of Nepal. Dairy sector in Nepal contributes around 9 % in Gross Domestic Production (GDP) [NDA, 2018].

2. INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE:

2.1. Rotterdam Declaration:

The Dairy Declaration of Rotterdam, declared on 19 October, 2016 in Rotterdam, the Netherlands at World Dairy Summit with the initiation of FAO and International Dairy Federation (IDF) agreed to: take an integrated approach to promote the sustainability of dairy systems, jointly taking into consideration social, economic, health and environmental dimensions; give particular attention to the needs of family farmers, small holders and pastoralists; build, implement and disseminate tools and guidelines to facilitate the identification and adoption of sustainable practices in the dairy sector; build

capacity in support of sustainable practices and provide enabling conditions; measure and report on sustainable outcomes; and strengthen multi-stakeholder dialogue for consensus building, reviewing progress and continuous improvement.

2.2. International Dairy Sector Facts:

Not only in Nepal but also in the world scenario milk is very much important economic commodity. Milk contributes 27% to the global value addition of livestock and 10% to that of agriculture. The proportion of global milk production is as follows: cow 82.7%, buffalo 13.3%, goat 2.3%, sheep 1.3% and camels 0.4%.

At present average growth rate of global milk production is 2.2 % and it is estimated that it reaches 1.8% growth rate by 2025.

Considering its worldwide consumption volume and quality protein, dairy products are very much important agricultural commodities to achieve food & nutrition security. Studies have shown that every 100 liters of milk traded creates 1.2-5.7 full time jobs.

Dairy business not only impacts positively it also has some negative effects in the environment and human health. Dairy animals produce around 3.1 giga tons of CO₂ equivalents per year, which is more than the quantity of greenhouse gas produced by poultry and fish farming. Dairy industry has a role in public health because 45 zoonotic bovine pathogens have been identified which can harm humans. (FAO, n.d.).

2.3. World Dairy Market:

World dairy market is increasing every year in terms of milk production, per caput consumption and trading of milk and milk products. The following Table 1 gives such data:

Table 1: Global Milk Production and Trading

SN	Criteria	2017	2018	2019 (forecast)
1.	Total milk production (Million tons, milk equivalent)	824.8	843.2	859.0
2.	Total trade (Million tons, milk equivalent)	72.7	74.7	76.1
3.	Per caput food consumption – world (Kg/year)	109.2	110.5	113.3
4	Trade - share of production (%)	8.8	8.9	8.9
Ref.: FAO (2019). Food Outlook: Biannual Report on Global Food Markets				

3. DAIRY BUSINESS IN NEPAL:

Dairy business comprises of milk production, collection, transportation, processing, packaging and marketing. In line with the three-pillar strategy of the GoN, dairy business is being carried out by public sector (DDC), private sector (NDA & DIA) and cooperative sector (CDCAN and others). However, there is a significant quantity of milk being produced but not recorded in the formal sector.

3.1. Dairy Cooperatives in Nepal:

Central Dairy Cooperative Association, Nepal (CDCAN) Ltd. since its establishment has been trying to organize all milk producers' cooperatives (MPCs) across the country through the formation of District Milk Producers' Cooperative Union (DPMCU). A detail of such information is as given in Table 2 below:

Table 2 : Milk Production & Processing: Number of MPCs and DPMCUs under CDCAN

Province	Registered with CDCAN		Liquidated		Existing	
	MPCs	DPMCUs	MPCs	DPMCUs	MPCs	DPMCUs
Province 1	110	6	4	-	106	6
Province 2	84	5	2	-	82	5
Province 3	416	11	1	-	415	11
Gandaki	95	7	8	-	87	7
Province 5	85	5	10	1	75	4
Karnali	17	1	-	-	17	1
S.Paschim	10	1	-	-	10	1
Total	817	36	25	1	792	35

: CDCAN (2074). Annual Report, Published by Central Office, Baneswor.

The above Table shows that there are thirty-five numbers of DPMCU and 792 numbers of MPCs functioning under the CDCAN. Thus, it can be said that CDCAN coverage is not sufficient to establish and functioning of MPCs in all 77 districts of the country.

Annual report of CDCAN (2074) states that four hundred thousand farmers' families are directly dependent on dairy businesses and Rupees four hundred thousand is being transferred daily from urban to rural areas of Nepal. In this way dairy business has become backbone of Nepalese rural economy.

3.2. Milk Production Trend in Nepal:

After the introduction of artificial insemination (AI) program in cattle, growth rate of milk production has been increasing every year. Latest data showed that nearly 2.1 million M. Ton of milk was produced in Nepal in the year 2017/18. Past six years data shows an average milk production growth rate of 4.4%, which is indicated in the following Table 3:

Table 3 : Milk Production Data in Nepal

S. No.	Fiscal Year	Production in '000 M. Ton	Growth Rate %
1.	2011/12	1622.8	-
2.	2012.13	1680.8	3.6 %
3.	2013/14	1700.1	1.2 %
4.	2014/15	1755.7	3.3 %
5.	2015/16	1854.3	5.6 %
6.	2016/17	1911.2	3.1%
7.	2017/18	2092.4	9.4%
	Average Growth Rate		3.4%

Ref.: MoAD (2017) and Krishi Diary (2076)

3.3. Milk Production & Processing in Private Sector:

In Nepal, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock (MoALD) produces annual production data of milk across the country. However, there is no system of producing consolidated national data on milk processing. Cooperatives reports data of their dairy processing units run by milk processing cooperatives. Similarly, there are two private associations that work for their member processing units established as limited companies or other forms of companies. The associations are named as Nepal Dairy Association (NDA) and Dairy Industries Association (DIA). These associations produce consolidated data on milk collection and processing. The following Table 4 gives such data, but limited to their members only:

Table 4 : Private Sector Milk Processing Data

S. No.	Criteria considered	NDA Members	DIA Members	Total
1.	Processing units (Number)	146	34	180
2.	Installed capacity ('000 L/day)	328.6	895.0	1223.6
3.	Average capacity utilization ('000 L/day)	235.8	420.0	655.8
4.	Capacity utilization percentage (3/2 x100)			53.6 %

Ref. Primary data obtained from NDA and DIA records.

Data presented in the Table above show that there are only 180 processing units with total installed capacity as 1.2 million L per day and average capacity utilization percentage as approximately 54% only.

3.4. Formal Sector Milk Collection in Nepal:

Dairy Development Corporation (DDC), a government owned body has been involved in collecting milk from farmers, processing, and marketing of processed dairy products including pasteurized milk among ordinary consumers. It has significant numbers of chilling centres', processing units including milk powder making plants across the country. DDC products marketed as DDC brand are very much popular and trustworthy products in terms of quality, safety and quantity among Nepalese consumers.

Therefore, it is required to consolidate DDC data, private sector data and cooperative sector data to estimate to national data in formal sector. The following Box 1 shows such estimation of formal sector milk collection and processing in Nepal:

Box 1

Formal sector milk collection and processing

A. Formal sector annual milk collection **289,000 M Ton**Private sector (DIA & NDA members) 655,800 L/day X 360 days
= 236,088 M Ton per year

Annual milk collection by DDC = 53,187 M Ton per year

B. Estimation of formal sector milk processing **356,000 – 527,000 M Ton**

[@ Estimates by NDDDB 17% and Dairy V.C. study 25%

and taking FY 2017/18 production data of 2,092,000 M Ton]

C. Cooperatives and other (B-A) **67,000 – 238,000 M Ton ??**

[Ref.: DDC (2074) ; NDDDB (2075b) and Discussion with ED of NDDDB]

3.5. Efficiency of Dairy Industries:

Dairy industries established in Nepal are not efficient in terms of processing capacity, safety level of products and collecting milk from farmers. Study report on Efficiency of Dairy Industries in Nepal has made the following recommendations for improvement: Capacity utilization should be increased to 80-90%; poor cold chain status in the value chain should be improved; milk tankers should be insulated; investment is to be increased so as to produce standard products; and product diversification is to be done (NDDDB, 2075a).

3.6. Education Level of Farmers:

It is obvious that knowledge about the subject matter is very much essential to achieve sustainable results. A study carried out by NDDDB shows that education level of dairy farmers in Nepal is very poor. The following Table 5 further explains about the situation:

Table 5: Education Level of Dairy Farmers in Nepal

S. No.	Education Level	Percentage of Total
1.	Illiterate	16.23
2.	Literate	19.37
3.	Primary	18.59
4.	Secondary	28.53
5.	Higher Secondary	11.52
6.	Bachelors & above	05.76
	Total	100.00
Ref. NDDDB (2075a)		

The above Table shows that 54.2% of milk producing farmers is either illiterate or simple literate or having primary level education.

3.7 Safety and Quality of Dairy Products:

Quality and safety of dairy products of Nepal are always in controversy due to poor level of hygiene and sanitation. Most of the dairy processing industries have not obtained Good Hygienic Practice (GHP), Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) and Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP) or ISO 22000 certificates. These certificates guarantee the safety and quality of dairy products produced by the processing units.

Department of Food Technology and Quality Control (DFTQC) is the food control agency of the Government of Nepal and as per World Trade Organization (WTO) provisions it is taken as competent authority. DFTQC monitors quality and safety level of food products at different levels and produces reports in their annual bulletin. The safety and quality level of dairy products in the last five years is shown in Table 6 below:

Table 6 : Trend in Quality and Safety of Dairy Products

Fiscal Year	Collected Samples (Nos.)	Non-compliance (Sample Nos.)	Percentage of Non-compliance
2070/71	151	38	25.2
2071/72	103	39	37.9
2072/73	141	34	24.1
2073/74	180	49	27.2
2074/75	192	101	52.6
Ref.: DFTQC 071, 072, 073, 074 and 075			

Note: In the above table, non-compliance figure indicate both safety and quality parameters.

Furthermore, a study on food safety situation analysis of meat and milk products in Mid and Far Western Region of Nepal carried out by Research Inputs and Development Actions (RIDA)/ Agriculture and Food Security Project (AFSP) for DFTQC shows a significant level of faecal contamination. However, there was no threat found in terms of antibiotic residues in the analyzed milk samples. The details of which is shown in the following Table 7:

Table 7 : Analytical Data of Milk Samples

Parameters	Unit	Milk Samples	
		Detection Range	Percentage of Non-compliance
Total coliform	CFU/ml	0- 3 x 10 ⁶	72.1
Faecal coliform	CFU/ml	0- 3 x 10 ⁵	53.5
Penicillin	ppb	0.5 – 2.49	0.00
Oxytocin	ppb	0.02 – 0.03	0.00
Tetracyclin	ppb	0.3 – 3.2	0.00

Ref.: DFTQC (2017)

3.8 Dairy Value Chain Stakeholders of Nepal:

There are different value chain actors in the country. Ministries, departments and other line agencies as well as National Planning Commission (NPC) as staff function of the government of Nepal are the main actors. Similarly, government boards mainly National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) and corporations mainly Dairy Development Corporation (DDC) is to support line agencies to achieve the set goals. Two departments under the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development (MoALD) have crucial roles in producing and maintaining safety and quality of milk in Nepal. The Department of Livestock Services (DoLS) is mainly responsible for producing safe and quality milk whereas the Department of Food Technology and Quality Control (DFTQC) is responsible for maintaining safety and quality of milk after production from the farm to fork. National Cow and Buffalo Research Programs under Nepal Agricultural Research Council (NARC) are responsible for developing highly productive breeds suitable in Nepalese context.

Dairy Industries' Association (DIA) and Nepal Dairy Association (NDA) are the private sector associations under which dairy processing industries have been organized. These two organizations have the same objective but working separately. This situation sometimes creates confusion in solving private sector problems.

Similarly, third pillar of Nepalese economy, the cooperative sector is also a player in dairy business in Nepal. CDCAN Ltd. is the umbrella organization of dairy cooperatives in Nepal.

Our concern here is the dairy related education system in Nepal. As mentioned previously, Ministry of Education, Department of Education and NPC are the policy making and implementing agencies. Tribhuvan University (TU) and Agriculture & Forestry University (AFU) are producing graduates in Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry (B.V.Sc. and A.H.), which are related to the milk production side of dairy business only. Two of the Purbanchal University (PU) affiliated colleges namely College of Applied Food and Dairy Technology (CAFODAT) and Himalayan College of Agricultural Science and Technology (HICAST) as well as Central Campus of Technology (CCT) under TU are producing Dairy Technology related graduates in the country. The CCT, CAFODAT and other colleges also produces food technology graduates having dairy technology as one of the important subject. Similarly, Council for Technical Education and Vocational Training (CTEVT) is also a player as it affiliates colleges to produce diploma level manpower in food and dairy technology.

Similarly, Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Nepal Food Scientists and Technologists Association (NEFOSTA), Nepal Veterinary Association (NVA), Nepal Veterinary Council (NVC), Nepal Dairy Science Association (NDSA), Nepal Animal Science Association (NASA), Agro-Enterprises Center (AEC)/FNCCI, Consumer Forums, Mass Media and Other stakeholders have also an important role in developing dairy business in Nepal.

4. EDUCATION SYSTEMS:

Education systems are of different type's viz non-formal education, formal education and technical education and vocational training (TEVT). These systems can be understood as:

- a) **Non-formal education** – generally carried out by Ministries/Departments, Aid organizations, Employers, etc. (Nolker and Shoenfeltd, 1980).

- b) **Formal education** – provided by the public educational system and is characterized by sequential structuring, entrance requirement, conferment of authorization and employment of trained teachers (Nolker and Shoenfeltd, 1980).
- c) **Technical Education and Vocational Training (TEVT)** – all non-university education and training programs, which are: **technical training** – modular type, one shot; **technical education** – all dimensions of particular technology or vocation; **vocational education** – more academic, career articulation, professional level; and **vocational training** – demand driven, need based and is offered to address the immediate needs of the people or industry and business (Sharma, n.d.).

5. DAIRY EDUCATION IN NEPAL

In Nepal there is a practice of educating people through non-formal, formal and TEVT education systems. Non-formal type of education is being practiced in dairy related organizations such as NDDDB, DDC, etc so as to enhance capacity of their employees. That is a practice of in-house training.

Dairy related formal education is being offered by universities especially, Tribhuvan University and Purbanchal University. Similarly, TEVT types of trainings are being offered by Council for Technical Education and Vocational Training (CTEVT) under the Ministry of Science, Technology and Education of the government of Nepal. Details of such education systems are elaborated below:

5.1 Certificate/Diploma in Food and Dairy Technology:

With the initiation of Prof. Dr. Suresh Raj Sharma, Certificate Level in Food Technology including Dairy Technology as one of the important subjects (a two years course after S.L.C) was started in Dharan Campus (under Institute of Science and Technology, T. U.) in 2030 BS (1973). Later, Prof. Jagat Bahadur K. C. in the year 2057 BS started Diploma in Food and Dairy Technology under CTEVT at Dharan as a private institute. Again, Prof. K. C. started Diploma in Food and Dairy Technology in the year 2010 (2067 BS) in Kathmandu under the CTEVT affiliation. At present two private technical institutions affiliated with CTEVT have been producing middle level (diploma level) food & dairy technicians. So far altogether 162 numbers of diploma holders in food and dairy technology have been produced in the country. Details of which is given in the following Table 8:

Table 8 : Diploma Level Manpower in Food & Dairy Technology Produced so far in Nepal

S. No.	Name of the Institution	Graduates (Nos.)
1.	CAFODAT, Minbhawan, Kathmandu	67
2.	Dharan Multiple Campus, Dharan	95
	Total	162

Ref.: Information collected from Responsible Officials of the respective Colleges.

5.2 B. Tech. Food Technology

Bachelor level food technology course in Nepal was started in 2036 BS (1979 AD) at Dharan under T.U. Dairy Technology was one of the important subjects within the course syllabus of Food Technology. First batch of such graduates were graduated in 1984 AD. Before that 40 graduates were trained abroad in this field (Shakya, 1988). Now, 12 food technology colleges under T.U. and Purbanchal University

produce these types of graduates. So far 1395 (one thousand three hundred and ninety-five) graduates have been produced from these 12 colleges, details of which are given in the following Table 9:

Table 9: Food Technology Graduates Produced so far in Nepal

S. No.	Name of the College	Graduates (Nos.)
1.	National College of Food Science and Technology (NCFST), Khusibu, Kathmandu.	166
2.	Padmashree International College, Kathmandu	106
3.	College of Applied Food and Dairy Technology (CAFODAT), Minbhawan, Kathmandu	143
4.	Golden Gate International College, Kathmandu	87
5.	Lalitpur Valley College, Lalitpur	98
6.	Central Campus of Technology (CCT), Dharan	539
7.	Nilgiri College, Itahari, Sunsari	11
8.	Dharan Multiple Campus, Dharan	51
9.	Pokhara BigyanPrabidhi Campus, Pokhara	51
10.	Nagarik College, Gairidhar, Nawalparasi	50
11.	Birat Multiple College, Bargachhi, Biratnagar.	08
12.	Sunsari Technical College, Dharan	136
	Total	1395

Ref.: Information collected from concerned officials of the respective colleges

5.3 Higher Level Manpower in Dairy Technology

In 2005, Prof. Jagat Bahadur KC, Tek B Thapa and other food and dairy experts took lead to establish College of Applied Food & Dairy Technology (CAFODAT) to run a B. Tech. Dairy Technology program in Kathmandu with affiliation from Purbanchal University (PU). CAFODAT regularly run this program for some years but at present, unfortunately, there are some problems with P.U. to run this program regularly.

Himalayan College of Agricultural Science and Technology (HICAST) in affiliation with P. U. runs M. Sc. Dairy Technology, a two years course after relevant 4 years technical bachelor level. However, at present dairy technology related programs of CAFODAT and HICAST are not running regularly due to different reasons.

Similarly, Central Campus of Technology (CCT) Dharan under Tribhuvan University (TU) runs M. Tech. in Food Technology course, a two years program after 4 years relevant B. Tech. program. In this program, one of the specializations is Dairy Technology. Thus TU has been producing M. Tech. Food Technology with specialization in Dairy Technology. Altogether 132 numbers of higher levels (Bachelor & Master level) manpower in dairy technology have been produced so far in Nepal. Details of such higher level dairy related manpower so far produced in Nepal is as given in the following Table No. 10:

Table 10 : Higher Level Dairy Technology Related Human Resources produced so far

S.No.	Institution	Level	Numbers	Remarks
1	CAFODAT	B. Tech.	24	
2.	HICAST	M. Sc.	50	Food Tech., Dairy Tech, Veterinary & Livestock graduates are illegible.
3.	CCT	M. Tech.	58	M. Tech. Food Tech. degree with specialization in Dairy Technology.
	Total		132	

Ref.: Information collected from concerned officials of the respective colleges [Dr. K. B. Shrestha, HICAST & Prof. Dr. Dhan Bahadur Karki, Campus Chief, CCT].

6. PROJECTION OF HUMAN RESOURCE (HR) REQUIREMENT:

In Nepal there is not actual data estimated on human resources required in the field of dairy for coming years. Data on cattle and other milking animals as well as milk production data are available as estimated by the government mechanism. However, there is no such data available so far in dairy processing.

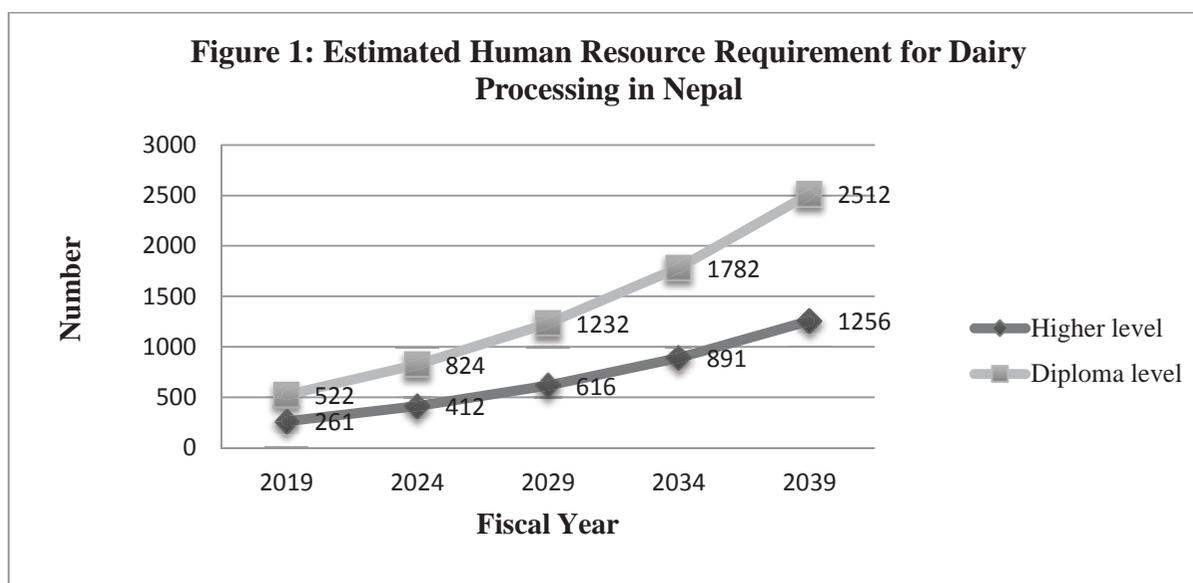
Therefore, an attempt has been made to make an estimation of milk processing data and based on that to estimate human resource requirement for dairy processing. The basis taken are: (1) Average growth rate of 4.4% milk production per year; (2) Assuming 1 % growth per year in formal sector processing; (3) DDC data 60,000 MT processing require 44 technical officers (actual); and (4) Assuming 1 officer require at least 2 numbers of supervisors (diploma holders) – one in processing line and another in laboratory.

The estimated figure, based on above assumption, is presented in the following Table No. 11 and Figure 1:

Table 11: Estimated Human Resource Requirement for Dairy Processing in Nepal

S. No.	Particular	Baseline Data, 2019	Projected data, (,000 MT)			
			2024	2029	2034	2039
1	Production of Milk (‘000 MT)	2092	2552	3113	3797	4632
2.	Formal sector processing (minimum) %	17 %	22%	27%	32%	37%
3.	Formal sector processing quantity (‘000 MT)	356	562	841	1215	1713
4.	Requirement of technical officers	261	412	616	891	1256
5.	Requirement of supervisors (Diploma level)	522	824	1232	1782	2512

Ref. Authors’ calculations.



Data presented in the above table shows that requirement of technical officers (having higher level education) and supervisors (having diploma level technical training) is at a ratio of 1:2. And taking the base line data of 2019 (261 technical officers & 522 supervisors) the projected figures for technical officers and supervisors come to 412 & 824 in 2024, 616 & 1232 in 2029, 891 & 1782 in 2034 and 1256 & 2512 numbers in 2039 respectively.

7. EMPLOYMENT OF DAIRY GRADUATES:

Higher level and middle level dairy related human resources, produced in Nepal, have been employed in different public, private and cooperatives related organizations. A significant numbers of Diploma holders and Bachelor/Master degree holders have been absorbed in Dairy Development Corporation (DDC). Other employers include National Dairy Development Board (NDDDB), Department of Livestock Services (DoLS), DFTQC, private dairy processors and different dairy cooperatives. Some of this manpower has also been engaged in relevant field abroad. However, there is no consolidated data available.

8. MAJOR EXISTING POLICIES:

Government of Nepal through its ministries & departments and National Planning Commission (NPC) promulgates different policies from time to time considering existing situations and problems related to the concerned subject matter. Furthermore, there is a system of policy amendment as per the changed context. Policies related to pre-harvest and post-harvest areas of agriculture and livestock sectors is the scope of Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development (MoALD) and its departments namely Department of Agriculture (DoA), Department of Livestock & Fisheries (DoLF) and Department of Food Technology and Quality Control (DFTQC). First two departments are responsible for pre-harvest side whereas the last one is responsible for post-harvest and processing.

Major policies developed and implemented by the government that are related directly or indirectly with dairy education sector are: Agriculture Policy 2061; Agri-business Promotion Policy 2063; Agriculture Development Strategy (ADS) 2015 AD; Dairy Development Policy 2064; Code of Practice

for Dairy Industries, 2061 NDDDB; Food Safety Policy (proposed); Higher Education Policy 2072; Private Technical Institution Policy 2063; CTEVT Policy 2064 and Foreign Affiliation Directives, 2059.

8.1 National Agriculture Policy (NAP) 2061(2004):

Provision made in **Policy Ka 7** of NAP states that “Agricultural and Forestry colleges to involve in extension of agricultural technologies”. Similarly, **Policy Ka 15** of the same document has provisions of establishment of Agriculture and Forestry University (AFU), promotion of agricultural and forestry colleges, and exchange programs between university/colleges and agricultural research & resource centres to enhance quality of human resources.

8.2 Agri-Business Promotion Policy (ABPP) 2063 (2006):

ABPP policy document in its **Policy 3.12** emphasizes on human resource development for promoting agriculture as per market demand. It further illustrates in **Policy 3.13** that timely revision of curriculum for producing middle level manpower of educational institutes so as to promote agri-businesses.

8.3 Dairy Development Policy (DDP) 2064 (2007):

Policy 4.2 Chha of DDP emphasize on conducting academic courses and trainings by establishing Dairy Institutes/ Training Centers so as to develop technical human resources required for dairy industries. Similarly, **Policy 4.2 Ja** has provision of efficiency enhancement of both technical and managerial employees involved in dairy sector.

8.4 Higher Education Policy (HEP) 2072:

Quality Assurance and Accreditation (QAA) is the central theme of this policy. After the implementation of this policy every academic institutes has to get QAA certificates from the concerned unit of the University Grant’s Commission of the government of Nepal.

Objective 2 of HEP has made a provision for development of competitive and enterprising human resources related to the field of science and technology so as to help in economic development. Similarly **Objective 3** of the HEP has made provision of emphasizing on research in the academic programs.

8.5 Agriculture Development Strategy (ADS) 2015:

Government of Nepal has recently come-up with ADS as a succession plan to Agriculture Perspective Plan (1995-2015). This document has been developed in cooperation with most of the development partners of the government working in Nepal.

DESTEP – Decentralized Extension, Technology and Education Program – a flagship program has been proposed in the ADS document. Under DESTEP there is a provision of establishing community agriculture extension service centers (CAESC) at ward level of the then local government units. DESTEP activities focuses on agriculture education system, which includes: support to AFU, creation of department of agribusiness and department of technology dissemination in AFU, capacity building of vocational schools and support to the establishment of regional agricultural colleges.

This way there is a sufficient provision of academic programs in the concerned policy documents. However, translating policies into programs and activities with sufficient funds has been inadequate in Nepal including dairy sector also.

9. CONCLUSION / RECOMMENDATION:

Based on the above data and information following conclusions and recommendations can be made:

Conclusion:

1. Recent data on safety and quality of milk and milk products show more than half (52.6 %) of samples do not comply with the mandatory standard of the GoN, posing a threat to the sustainable development of dairy sector in Nepal. One of the important reasons of such precarious scenario is inadequate level of availing services of qualified human resources, especially technical human resources in the dairy value chain.
2. At present, higher level dairy technology related manpower produced so far are 132 in numbers whereas estimation shows 261 numbers are needed in the value chain. Furthermore, middle level technicians produced so far are 162 numbers whereas the estimated requirement is 522 numbers for the year 2019. Similarly, projected data show that after 20 years the requirement would be 1256 numbers of higher level and 2512 numbers of middle level manpower so as to serve the increased level of milk production at a rate of 4.4% per annum and 1 % increase in formal sector processing per year.
3. Different policy documents of GoN have sufficiently addressed technical education related matters; however these policies have not been properly translated into programs/activities/budget with timeline of implementation.
4. There is no system of producing data related to number of dairy processing units, number of human resources working in such units, capacity utilization of processing units, etc in Nepal.

Recommendation:

1. Universities should give affiliation to the dairy technology colleges to produce 30 graduates per year for the first five year and 40, 55, and 73 graduates per year for the second, third and fourth five years period respectively. Similarly, CTEVT should give affiliation to produce diploma holders at a rate of 60, 80, 110, and 146 per year in the first, second third and fourth five-year periods respectively.
2. DFTQC, the food control agency of the GoN must make a provision of issuing license to dairy processing units by assuring services of technical manpower only. Furthermore, DFTQC should induct dairy technologists and technicians in its organization structure sufficiently so as to monitor quality of dairy processing units.
3. GoN should come up with a project to improve safety level of dairy processing establishments by offering merger incentives, grants in capital investment, vocational training to lower level staffs of dairy processing units, etc.

4. NDDDB in collaboration with CBS should conduct a nationwide census of dairy sector including production of milk, number of dairy processing units, percentage of formal sector milk processing, etc.

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CHAPTER - 4

GROUP WORK, PLENARY AND CLOSING SESSION

GROUP WORK AND PLENARY PRESENTATION

The workshop participants were divided into three groups; Group A: Policies and programme; Group B: Technical human resources; and Group C: Industrial environment.

The groups were advised to base their discussion from the various papers presented by the dairy sector stakeholders, and summarize the existing scenario, issues and constraints, recommendations providing immediate, medium-term and long-term measures in order to strengthen the dairy industry to a sustainable and competitive level.

Each group focused their discussions on existing scenario, expectations/requirements for next 20 years, and then derive the gaps to be fulfilled. Thereafter, recommend the plan, programme and interventions to be implemented with timeline, level of investment, and identifying and assigning responsibilities to the implementing unit/department/agency/ministry/board/public sector/private sector etc.

Guidelines for the group work:

GROUP A: POLICIES AND PROGRAMME

- Step 1: Review existing policies and plans of dairy industry development; status of dairy development policy implementation, issues and constraints etc.;
- Step 2: HR Policy requirements for next 20 years, to achieve the NPC targets of dairy sectoral growth;
- Step 3: List out the policy gaps; and
- Step 4: Recommend the interventions needed to amend the existing policy or needed to develop a new policy or others.

GROUP B: TECHNICAL HUMAN RESOURCES

- Step 1: Review existing status of technical manpower availability, status of vocational training Centre or facilities producing various level HR resources needed for the dairy sector development such as floor level manpower, middle/supervisory level manpower and higher level/highly skilled manpower; location of facilities in various Pradeshes, quality and quantity of manpower produced, issues and constraints etc.;
- Step 2: Various level HR resources requirements for next 20 years, to achieve the NPC targets of dairy sectoral growth; as possibilities to export HR to other needy countries; list out the various level training Centre, CTEVT, colleges and university etc.;
- Step 3: List out the technical manpower gaps for various levels such as floor level manpower, middle/supervisory level manpower and higher level/highly skilled manpower for various Pradesh; and;
- Step 4: Recommend the interventions needed to develop and upgrade the existing training centres or colleges in various regions of Pradeshes (provinces), list out the programmes, tentative investment to establish new facilities and upgrade/equip the existing facilities.

GROUP A: INDUSTRIAL ENVIRONMENT

- Step 1: Review existing status of industrial environment focusing on dairy industries; any specific issues and constraints;
- Step 2: What should be the Industrial Environment for next 20 years, to achieve the national targets of dairy sectoral growth;
- Step 3: List out the gaps in industrial environment which needs improvement; and
- Step 4: Recommend the interventions/plans/programme needed to improve the industrial environment.

Group presentations:

The respective group made extension discussion, and the coordinators from each group presented their group findings and suggestions in the plenary session. A brief description of each group presentation is summarized here below;

GROUP A: POLICY AND PROGRAM

Altogether 15 participants contributed in this group which included Mr. Tek B. Thapa (Moderator), Dr. Balak Chaudhary (Team Leader), Mr. PurnachandraWasti, Dr. Huma Bokkhim, Mr. Mohan K. Maharjan, Mr. Krishna P. Rai, Mr. Raj K. Rijal, Dr.Hasana Maiya Shrestha, Mr. Atmaram Satyal, Mr. Sachit K. Waiba, Mr. Ajaya Pokharel, Mr. Pravin Ojha, Mr. Ghanshyam Bhattarai, Ms. Suvha Shree Sharma and Ms. Shushma Bhaila. The group made a fruitful discussion on reviews of existing policies, policy gaps and requirements for next 20 years. On behalf of the group, Mr. Krishna Prasad Rai presented summary of findings and suggestions as below;

1. There is lacking of short term and long-term policies for human resource development required for the dairy sector. As well, implementation of the provisions made in policies related to the dairy sector seems to be very poor.

2. There is a need of amendment or up-gradation of ongoing academic program's course syllabus as well as development and implementation of a training course for floor level technicians required by the dairy processing units.
3. Poorer participation of stakeholders while updating or formulating policies and plans by concerned authorities of the government.
4. For regulating food safety in dairy products, manpower having academic qualification of dairy technology/food technology, dairy microbiology, food biotechnology, dairy engineering, dairy/food chemistry, etc. are essential. These qualifications must be recognized by Public Service Commission for the post of dairy and food safety officer.
5. NDDDB/MoALD should come up with a periodic refresher training program with a suitable course to enhance capacity of all dairy technologists/technicians working in dairy processing units of public and private establishments on cost sharing basis.
6. So as to enhance the efficiency of human resource produced, colleges and training institutions should be fully equipped with proper laboratory, pilot plant, and other basic required facilities.
7. GoN should come-up with a medium-term project to enhance quality and safety of dairy products being produced in Nepal so as to develop sustainable and competitive dairy sector.
8. It is strongly recommended to establish a National Food Council of Nepal.

GROUP B: TECHNICAL HUMAN RESOURCE

Group B, assigned with assessment of technical human resource requirement and suggestions to be made for its improvement, comprised of 23 participants which included Uttam P. Bhattarai (Moderator), Prof. Tika B. Karki, Phalendra Bista, Samir Siwakoti, Deepak Subedi, Chakravarty Poudel, Krishna Pd. Aryal, Prof. Bhesh Bhandari, Sankar Adhikari, Alok Shrestha, Sanjeev Kumar Karn, Ram Shovit Yadav, Sabin Bdr. Khatri, Ajab Lal Yadav, Sandeep Raj Pradhan, Giri Dhar Bajracharya, Rajendra Gopal Shrestha, Tika Prasad Ghimire, Ramesh Sanjel, Niranjana Tinalina, Rajesh D.C., Kishor Singh, Niranjana Koirala and Rajeev Khanal. On behalf of the group participants, Mr. Chakrabarti Paudel, as the coordinator presented a summary report of the group work, highlighting the followings:

1. Information on overall dairy production and processing in the country is not up-to-date and reliable. Thus, it is recommended to conduct a detailed dairy sector study covering complete dairy value chain (farm to fork) in close collaboration Central Bureau of Statistics and NDDDB.
2. It is suggested to categorize dairy sector human resource into four levels viz Level 1, 2, 3 and 4. Level 1 and 2 should get minimum of 3 months and 1-year duration trainings respectively whereas level 3 and 4 should obtain Diploma and Bachelor's level academic degree respectively.
3. Assessment of manpower trained/ produced by government agencies, academic institutions, vocational training institutions and NGOS/ INGOs needs to be documented.

GROUP C: INDUSTRIAL ENVIRONMENT

There were 32 participants in this group which included Prof. Jagat B. KC ((Moderator), Nawaraj Upadhyaya, Rajendra Adhikari, Govind Raj Joshi, Alisha Ulak, Damodar Dhakal, Umesh Poudyal, Rabindra K.C., Madhab Pd. Ojha, Umesh Ghimire, Hom Kumar Shrestha, Rabi. P. Rijal, Kula Prasad Ghimire, Ram

Bhakta Danal, Nischala K.C., Kalpana Khanal, Krishna Pd. Bastola, ArnikoRajbhandary, Anisha Poudel, Munna Yadav, Bhupendra Gautam, Anish Bastola, Raj Lamichanne, ShauravDhakal, Diwash Basnet, Shaurab Jha, Sudarshan Gautam, Rajan Prasad Dhamala, Krishna Prasad Dhakal, Badri P. Dhakal, Man Bahadur Shrestha and Rajani Sapkota. On behalf of group, Mr. Rajendra Prasad Adhikari as coordinator presented a summary report of group discussion on industrial environment, as below;

1. Dairy industries are being registered with local government or district industry office or division cooperatives or company registrar's office. Therefore, it is suggested to make uniformity in registration and their regulation.
2. To manage the challenges of cottage and rural scale as well as small scale dairy industries with respect to safety and quality of products, there is a need of merging such establishments and enhancing their technical strengths. Government should come-up with special project to solve this problem.
3. There is a need of amending Dairy Development Policy 2064.
4. Insufficient level of services of qualified dairy technologists and middle level technicians in dairy processing units.
5. Retention of human resource within the country is very weak, so incentive mechanism would be helpful to retain them.
6. Like dairy technologist; dairy engineers and dairy managers should also be developed.
7. Special program should be launched to promote yak farming.
8. Cottage and rural scale dairy industries do not invest in laboratory due to their poor investment capacity and so government should consider on it seriously.
9. Wastes treatment plant should be improved or established in each dairy processing industry to protect environment.
10. Need strengthening of National Dairy Development Board in terms of human and financial resources.

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR:

After the presentation made by all groups, the floor was opened for discussion. Following participants took part in the discussion:

Mr Uttam K Bhattarai suggested categorizing dairy industries according to the provision made in the prevailing Industrial Enterprises Act of Nepal.

Mr. Rajendra Gopal Shrestha suggested qualified manpower should be hired in dairy equipment manufacturing industry also.

Professor Dr. Bhesh Bhandari suggested the need of establishing a Dairy Research Institute in Nepal.

Mr. Arniko Rajbhandari suggested that unskilled manpower, working in the existing dairy processing units, should get a mandatory minimum two-week training basically covering food hygiene, occupational health, safety and hygienic milk handling.

Mr. Ajab Lal Yadav raised the issue of ineffective coordination between stakeholders such as NDDDB, DDC, DIA, NDA, CDCAN, DFTQC, GON, CBS, etc. resulting in poor/weak implementation of the policy and programs. He further suggested establishing Food/Dairy Section within the Ministry of agriculture and livestock development (MoALD) for carrying out all dairy related activities within the country.

CLOSING SESSION:

Closing session of the “One day Workshop on Availability and Requirement of Dairy science and Technology Related Human Resource in Nepal” started after chairing of the session by Professor Jagat Bahadur K.C., Chairperson of the Organizing Committee. Mr. Man B Shrestha was the master of ceremony (MC) in this very important session. Special Guests of the session were Professor Toran Bahadur Karki, former Vice-Chancellor of Purbanchal University, Dr. Shubha Narayan Pathak, Dean of Science and Technology Faculty, PU, and Dr. Banshi Sharma, Director General of Department of Livestock Services. At the outset special guests and other dignitaries on the dais were honored by students of College of applied Food and Dairy Technology by offering workshop badge and flower bouquets. Then the session commenced with presentation of the group works followed by the closing remarks by the dignitaries. Special guests invited for the closing session addressed the workshop and expressed their views and commitments, which is summarized below:

Dr. Banshi Sharma, Director General, Department of Livestock Services:

Dr Sharma emphasized on establishing calf rearing centre in villages, introducing improved breed of buffalo for high productivity and protecting environment while enhancing milk production. He further suggested upgrading dairy related course syllabus being taught in different academic institutions. Dr. Sharma also opined to regulate import of dairy equipment for the sustainability of dairy business. He requested NDDDB to take initiation to establish a Dairy Research Institute in Nepal. Lastly Dr. Sharma thanked organizers for inviting him and made his commitments to initiate the implementations of relevant suggestions made by the workshop.

Professor Dr. Shubha Narayan Pathak, Dean, Science and Technology Faculty, Purbanchal University:

Prof. Pathak thanked organizers for providing him opportunity to address the closing ceremony of the workshop and shared the move being taken by the PU to increase duration of in-plant training to at least 3 to 4 months for technical bachelor level courses, including B. Tech. Dairy Technology. He also insisted CAFODAT college to run short term training course and expressed his opinion to support on quality research proposals. Finally, Prof. Pathak committed to implement workshop recommendations related to the university.

Professor Toran Bahadur Karki, former VC, Purbanchal University:

Prof. Karki highlighted on different facets of education specially focusing on the use of education for enhancing the quality of life. He further emphasized on involving students in different extra-curricular activities so that they could develop themselves as future leaders to handle situations independently. Lastly, Prof. Karki thanked organizers for providing him the opportunity to share views.

Mr. Babu Kaji Pant, Officiating ED, National Dairy Development Board:

Mr. Pant, as an organizing committee member, presented vote of thanks to Hon. Minister Mr. Chakra Pani Khanal “Baldev” for his gracious presence in the Inaugural Session as the Chief Guest. Similarly, he also expressed his sincere gratitude to Prof Dr. Ghanashyam Lal Das, (VC, PU), Dr. YubakDhoj G.C. (Agriculture Secretary), Prof. Dr. Bhesh Bhandari (University of Queensland, Australia), Prof. Dr. Subha Narayan Mahato (Dean, S & T, PU), Prof. Toran Bahadur Karki (Former VC, PU), Dr. Banshi Sharma (Director General, DoLS), other guests, media persons, participants, students, workshop organisers and all others who contributed in one or other way to make the Workshop a grand success.

He also highlighted on different activities being carried out by NDDB to strengthen the dairy sector.

Closing remarks by the Chairperson Prof. Jagat Bahadur K.C.:

Prof K.C., chairperson of the session and Chair-workshop organizing committee, offered token of love to the distinguished special guests, guests and contributor for their valuable time, contribution and enriching the value of the program. The distinguished personnel who received token of love were special guest professor Toran Bahadur Karki, Professor Dr. Subha Narayan Pathak, Dr. Banshi Sharma, Mr. Babu Kaji Pant, Mr. Tek Bahadur Thapa, Mr. Purna Chandra Wasti, Mr. Man Bahadur Shrestha, Mr. Nawaraj Upadhaya, Mr. Rajesh D.C., Mr. Niranjana Timilsina, Mr. Krishna Prasad Rai, Mr. Damodar Dhakal and Mr. Raj Kumar Rijal.

Thereafter, Prof. K.C. thanked all who made significant contribution to organize the event. He also highlighted on the ways to improve the quality of manpower being produced in dairy sector in Nepal. Furthermore, Prof K.C. expressed his views to make arrangement of carrying out this type of workshop on a regular basis so that activities carried out in dairy sector could be reviewed and improved and make creative suggestion for way forward. He also expressed opinion on the need to amend/up-grade course syllables of food and dairy technology on a regular basis to include new innovations and technologies.

Finally, Prof. K.C. declared the workshop closed. ■

CHAPTER-5

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Findings and recommendations have been summed up based on the information, facts and figures presented by the resource persons; findings and presentation of group work; and views expressed by the experts and dignitaries during the inaugural sessions and closing sessions. Findings and recommendations are summarised here below for follow up actions and implementations by the relevant ministries, departments, universities and related bodies and agencies.

FINDINGS:

- Dairy sector demands a significant number of technical/skilled human resources to produce safe and quality dairy products and diversify them for import substitution.
- Basically, three level of manpower namely floor level dairy technicians, supervisory diploma level dairy technologists (JT level) and highly skilled technologists (technical officers' level) are required for operating and managing the dairy value chain in the country.
- Twenty-year projection shows formal sector milk processing will increase from 17 % to 37 % in the 20th year (2039) from the base year 2019. In the base year, 261 dairy technologists/technical officers are required which will increase to 1256 at the end of 20-year dairy human resource plan period. Similarly, the need of diploma or supervisory level dairy technologists and technicians increases from 522 to 2512, in order to diversify and develop a competitive dairy processing in Nepal. This projection is based on the average (2011/12 – 2017/18) annual growth rate of 4.4 % in milk production (Bhattarai et al, 2019)
- So far, there is no provision of short-term training programmes in the country to develop floor level dairy technicians.
- Many constituent colleges of reputed universities are offering graduate and post-graduate program in Animal sciences and veterinary sciences which are equipped with facilities. However, there is single college offering graduate programme in dairy technology i.e. CAFODAT college; and few CTEVT affiliated training institutes offering diploma program in food and dairy technology

established under private ownership. These facilities are not sufficiently equipped and needs support to strengthen labs/pilot training dairy plant.

- There are very limited fellowships to encourage the students to enroll and participate in dairy science and technology related trainings, diploma and graduate programmes through fellowships from the government institutions like NDDDB, MoALD, DDC, Provincial government to study within the existing institutes of Nepal. As well, there are possibilities to request for bilateral and multilateral fellowships to supplement the much-needed manpower for dairy industry development.
- Private and cooperative run dairy processing plants have least appointed technical human resources sufficiently. DDC has also not maintained the 1:2 ratio of higher-level technologist to middle level diploma holders in their processing units. So, there is a significant gap between requirement and availability.
- Most of the dairy processing units across the country are either cottage level or small-scale units. Thus, due to low level of investment capacity they cannot afford salary to the qualified middle and higher level technical human resources. Furthermore, financially capable enterprises are also reluctant to avail services of technical manpower so as to make more profit.
- DFTQC, a food control agency of Nepal, has not made mandatory provision of availing services of technical manpower so as to maintain safety and quality of dairy products while issuing license to such units. So, dairy products produced by such units cannot compete with the similar products produced by other countries resulting in poor level of import substitution.
- Dairy colleges do not have standard pilot plant facilities so as to provide practical hands-on knowledge in the industrial environment. Thus, the quality of products produced is not up to the standard.
- GoN has not sufficiently inducted dairy technologist/technicians in the civil service, board, corporation etc.
- Investment on R&D of GoN is very poor in the dairy and food sector.
- Nepalese dairy graduates/technologists are not getting easy entry, as dairy development officer, dairy/food research officer in the organizations like department of livestock services, NDDDB, DDC, DFTQC and ministry of agriculture and livestock development.
- Exclusive National Dairy Research Institute is yet to be established, despite the dairy sector has a significant contribution of 9 % in the national GDP.

RECOMMENDATION:

- Academic institutions should continue the academic programs in Bachelors and Master's Degree in Dairy & Food Technology. Universities should grant affiliations to the dairy technology colleges to produce at least 60 graduates per year for the first five year and then subsequently to meet the targets in the second, third and fourth five-year dairy plan period till 2039. CAFODAT should regularize the graduate programme in dairy technology to meet the national needs and targets. Similarly, CTEVT should limit affiliations to make 1:2 ratio of graduates to diploma level dairy technologists and technicians (120 diploma per year) to meet the national human resource need for the projected 20-year dairy plan period.

- Basically, three level of manpower namely floor level dairy technicians, supervisory diploma level or middle level technicians/dairy technologists (JT level) are needed, and to be produced by the CTEVT approved dairy training Institutions; and highly skilled technologists (technical officers' level) are to be produced by the dairy colleges affiliated to the universities. These human resources are required for operating and managing the dairy value chain in the country.
- CTEVT affiliated training institutes are needed to be established with the financial support of GoN, to help enhance the technical capability of existing and upcoming dairy processing units in the coming years.
- Special training packages of one to three months duration should be run by the Dairy Training Centre (DTC) located in the Pradeshes (provinces), thus local level trainees from the milkshed areas can easily benefit.
- Dairy colleges and dairy training institutions must have dairy processing plant attached for practical hands-on learning. It is worth taking lessons from Vidya dairy Anand or Model Dairy Karnal model wherein dairy technology graduate students undergo 12 months hands-on practical learning on 12 modules which includes milk processing, CIP and automation, milk packaging, cheese and paneer, ice-cream, ghee and fermented milks, quality assurance, engineering services and plant maintenance, commercial functions (purchase, stores, accounts), marketing and dispatch, MIS, SAP (systems application and products) and house-keeping. These types of manpower are ready to operate and manage a commercial dairy immediately upon their graduation. Thus, government should provide financial support to establish pilot dairy processing facility for specific and specialized campuses offering dairy technology programmes.
- Government should establish National Dairy Research Institute, for promoting and strengthening dairy research and development (R&D) in the country. NDDDB should initiate the process of its establishment in consultation with relevant dairy value chain stakeholders.
- Till date, dairy technology courses are not lucrative comparing medical, engineering and other courses. Thus, enrollment is poor. Thus, fellowships should be provided to attract the students enrolling in the dairy science and technology related diploma and graduate programmes. Government institutions like NDDDB, MoALD, DDC, Provincial (Pradesh) government should provide fellowships to study within the existing institutes of Nepal. As well government should request for bilateral and multi-lateral government fellowships to supplement the much-needed manpower for dairy industry development.
- Government of Nepal should come up with action plan with budget and time line based on the provisions made in the Dairy Development Policy (2064 BS); and Dairy Development Strategy (2071-2091 BS) and 10-Years Dairy Development Plan (2075- 2084 BS).
- Entry of dairy technologists must be assured in the positions like dairy development officer, dairy/ food research officer, technical officers in the department of livestock services, NDDDB, DDC, DFTQC and ministry of agriculture and livestock development and so on.
- HR working in Dairy value chain should be trained and refreshed through short term course after conducting Training Need Assessment (TNA) in a regular interval of time to upgrade and update their technical knowledge on current trends and new technologies.

- Government should provide funding support to R&D activities to improve the quality and promote domestic products against imported products, and introduce tax incentives for R&D investments. R&D can help to improve the product and expand the market to internal and external markets. The models to be learnt from the developed nations/experts working in the area.
- Research institutions and university should carry out R&D in a sustainable way. Involvement of the students will reduce the cost; develop new products, improve current products & packaging. Reverse engineering is one of ways of improving products through duplication, copying and improving. For R&D, the commitment from the industry & government is very necessary.
- NDDDB in collaboration with CBS should conduct a comprehensive nationwide dairy sector study to provide a mirror view of dairy sector. The study should include milk production, dairy cooperative, dairy processing industries and cheese units, real share of formal and informal sector handling, household consumption, indigenous products, export share of dairy trade, interventions and way forward needed to develop a competitive dairy business.
- GoN should come up with a project to improve safety level of dairy processing establishments by offering merger incentives, grants in capital investment, vocational training to floor level staffs of dairy processing plants etc.
- DFTQC, the Food control agency of the GoN must make a provision of issuing license to dairy processing units after by making sure of required services of technical manpower. Furthermore, DFTQC must induct enough number of dairy technologists and technicians in its organization structure, to be able to monitor safety and quality of dairy processing facilities across the country.
- Hygienic practices should be implemented to meet the food safety standards. Hence Farming: Good veterinary practices (GVP) & Manufacturing: Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP), Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP), Good Hygienic Practices (GHP) should be introduced. For medium and large-scale scale processing units, mandatory HACCP certifications must be provisioned. The existing manpower working at DFTQC is inadequate to enforce food regulation effectively. The competencies of manpower should be updated by providing frequent trainings. The laboratory at DFTQC has been accredited in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025. Other food laboratories under DFTQC also need to be strengthened and accredited. ■

WORKSHOP PHOTO GALLERY

Glimpses of Inaugural Session



Chief Guest Hon. Minister Chakra Pani Khanal, Chairperson Prof. JB KC & Dignitaries



Prof. Bhesh Bhandari delivering keynote address



Glimpses of Participants in Attendance



Participants



Chairperson Prof. KC offering Token of Love



Chief Guest & Dignitaries observing dairy products display from Australia



Chief Guest with Prof. Bhandari.



Chief Guest Hon. Minister Chakra Pani Khanal delivering inaugural address

Technical Session in Progress





Prof. Tika B. Karki making comments on papers presented.



Mr. Ajab Lal Yadav making comments



Comments from CTEVT



Session Chair Mr. Thapa offering memento to BK Pant ED, NDDDB



Resource persons receiving Token of Love from session chairman Mr. Tek B. Thapa.

Brain Storming in Groups



Group work in progress



Group presentation by Chakrabarti Poudel



Group work in progress



Group work in progress

Closing Session



Prof. Jagat B. KC chairing the plenary & closing session.



Prof. Bhandari making comments



NDSA Advisor Mr. Rajendra Gopal Shrestha commenting



Prof Dr. Shubh Narayan Pathak, - Dean, S & T Faculty receiving memento from Prof. KC



Mr. Krishna P. Rai, DEFTQC receiving memento from Prof. KC



Mr. Damodar Dhakal, DDC receiving memento from Prof. KC



Prof. Jagat B. KC delivering closing address



Group Photos after the Closing session

Refreshments/Interactions



Refreshments



NDSA Advisor Mr. Krishna Gopal Shrestha interacting with Prof. Bhandari



Dignitaries having refreshments



Refreshments and sharing light moments with colleagues

ANNEXES

ANNEX-1 A

**Program Schedule for Inaugural Session of
One Day Workshop**

On

Availability and Requirement of Dairy Science and Technology Related Human Resources in Nepal

Venue: Hotel Himalaya, Kopundole, Lalitpur

Date: 2076/2/28 (11th June, 2019)

Master of Ceremony (MC): Mr. Purna Chandra Wosti

Time: 8.00 AM (Sharp)

Rapporteur: Mr. Kishor K.C. & Mr. Niranjana Timilsina

Inaugural Session: 8.00 AM-9.40 AM

S.N	Time	Activity	Responsibility
1.	7:00-7.45	Registration and Breakfast	Volunteers and participants
2.	7.45-8:00	Arrival of Guest and Taking seats	MC
3.	8:00-8:05	Chairing	Prof. Jagat Bahadur K.C. , Chairperson, Organizing Committee, Former Vice-Chancellor, PU & Principal, CAFODAT
4.	8:05-8:10	Invitation of Dignitaries on Dais - Hon. Minister, Mr. Chakra Pani Khanal 'Baldev' MoALD – Chief Guest - Prof. Dr. Ghanashyam Lal Das, V.C, P.U, Special Guest. - Dr. Yubak Dhoj G. C., Secretary (Agriculture), MoALD, Special Guest - Prof. Dr. Bhesh Bhandari, University of Queensland, Australia, Guest - Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Karn DG, DFTQC, Guest	MC and Distinguished guests
5.	8:10-8:15	Welcome address and Objectives of the Conference	Mr. Uttam K. Bhattarai , Member Secretary, Organizing Committee and Former Secretary, GoN
6.	8:15-8:20	Inauguration- by reading the content of Workshop Banner.	Chief Guest, Hon. Mr. Chakra Pani Khanal "Baldev" , Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development
7.	8:20-8:25	National Anthem	All
8.	8:25-8:50	Paper presentation on "Needs of Skill and Innovation through R & D for the Dairy Industry Growth" .	Prof. Dr. Bhesh Bhandari , Professor of Food Process Engineering and Technology, The University of Queensland, Australia
9.	8:50-8:55	Remarks / Few Words	Dr. Yubak Dhoj G. C., Agriculture Secretary, MoALD, Special Guest
10.	8:55-9:05	Remarks / Few Words	Prof. Dr. Ghanashyam Lal Das, Special Guest, V.C, Purbanchal University
11.	9:05- 9:20	Inaugural Remarks	Mr. Chakra Pani Khanal 'Baldev' Hon. Minister for Agriculture and Livestock Development
12.	9:20-9:30	Vote of Thanks	Mr. Sanjeev K. Karn , DG, DFTQC
13.	9:30-9:40	Chairman's Remarks	Prof. Jagat Bahadur K.C. , Chairperson, Organizing Committee & Former VC, PU

ANNEX-1 B

Program Schedule for One Day Workshop On

Availability and Requirement of Dairy Science and Technology Related Human Resources in Nepal

Venue: Hotel Himalaya, Lalitpur

Date: 2076/2/28 (11th June, 2019)

II. Technical Session:

10.30 – 13.00 Hrs.

Chairperson – Mr. Tek Bahadur Thapa, Chairman, NDSA

Rapporteurs: Mr. Krishna Prasad Rai and Mr. Damodar Dhakal

1. Paper Presentations: 10.30 – 12.30Hrs (15 minutes for each presentation)

- a) National Dairy Development Board (NDDDB) – Government Policies and Programs in developing dairy sub-sector focusing on Human Resources with respect to processing and marketing by Mr. BabuKaji Pant.
- b) Department of Food Technology and Quality Control (DFTQC) / GoN – Regulatory System of Dairy Businesses in Nepal – Challenges and Way Forward, by Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Karn
- c) Nepal Dairy Association (NDA): Technical Human resources in Milk Processing Industries by Radhakrishna Sapkota
- d) Dairy Industry Association-Nepal (DIA) – Current Status, Requirement and Availability of Technical Human Resources in Dairy Industries by Mr. ArnikoRajbhandary.
- e) Nepal Dairy Science Association (NDSA) – HRD for Nepalese Dairy Sector: Current Status, Issues and Way Forward by Mr. R.T. Chaudhary.
- f) Dairy Development Corporation (DDC) - DDC Perspective: Technical Manpower Constraints and Way Forward by Mr. Govinda Raj Joshi.
- g) CAFODAT – Availability of Technical Manpower and Academic Courses in Food and Dairy Technology in Nepal by Mr. Uttam K Bhattarai.

2. Q/A Session – 12.30 – 12.50 Hrs

3. Chairperson's remarks and closing of the technical session. 12.50 AM – 13.00 Hrs

Lunch Break: 13.00 – 14.00 Hrs

Program Schedule for One Day Workshop

Availability and Requirement of Dairy Science and Technology Related Human Resources in Nepal

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III. Group work:

14.00 – 16.30Hrs

1. After the paper presentation session, there will be another session for **Group Work** so as to make recommendation as outcomes of the Workshop.
2. **Facilitators:** Mr. Uttam K Bhattarai
Mr. Tek Bahadur Thapa,
Mr. Nawaraj Upadhyaya
3. Following groups will be formed:
Group A - Policies and Programs;
Group B - Technical Human Resources;
Group C - Industrial Environment.
4. Within each group, deliberation will be made focusing on the following:
Existing situation,
Requirements for another 20 years,
Gap analysis, and
Recommendation i.e. Strategies and Programs to fulfill the gaps.

Refreshment:

16.30 – 16.45 Hrs

ANNEX 1 C

**Program Schedule for Closing Session of
One Day Workshop On**

Availability and Requirement of Dairy Science and Technology Related Human Resources in Nepal

Venue: Hotel Himalaya, Kopundole, Lalitpur

Date: 2076/2/28 (11th June, 2019)

Master of Ceremony (MC): Mr. Man Bahadur Shrestha

Time: 16.50 Hrs

Rapporteurs: Mr. Raj Kumar Rijal and Mr. Rajesh D.C.

Closing Session: 16.50 - 17.30Hrs

S.N	Time	Activity	Responsibility
1.	16:50-16:55	Arrival of Guests and Taking seats	MC
2.	16:55-17:00	Chairing	Prof. Jagat Bahadur KC , Chairperson, Organizing Committee,
3.	17:00-17:05	Invitation of Dignitaries on Dais - Prof. Toran B. Karki, Former V.C. P.U., Special Guest - Prof Dr. Shubh Narayan Pathak, - Dean, S & T Faculty, P.U.- Special guest - Mr. BabuKaji Pant, ED, NDDB - Dr. Banshi Sharma, DG, DoLS– Guest	MC and Distinguished guests
4.	17:05-17:35	Presentation of the group work by team representatives: Group A: Mr. Krishna P Rai Group B: Mr. Chakrabarti Poudel Group C: Mr. Rajendra P Adhikari	MC and Group Chairpersons
5.	17:35-17:50	Suggestions from the floor.	MC, Group Chairpersons and Participants
6.	17:50-17:55	Remarks / Few Words	Dr. Banshi Sharma, DG, DoLS– Guest
7.	17:55- 18:00	Remarks / Few Words	Prof Dr. Shubh Narayan Pathak, - Dean, S & T Faculty, P.U.- Special guest
8.	18:00- 18:05	Remarks / Few Words	Prof. Toran B. Karki, Former V.C. P.U., Special Guest
9.	18:05- 18:10	Vote of Thanks	Mr. BabuKaji Pant, ED, NDDB
10.	18:10- 18:20	Chairman's Remarks and closing of the Workshop.	Prof. Jagat Bahadur K.C. , Chairperson, Organizing Committee & Former VC, PU

ANNEX-2

Workshop On

Availability and Requirement of Dairy Science and Technology Related Human Resources in Nepal

28th Jestha, 2076 (11th June 2019)

Kathmandu, Nepal

List of Participants

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106	Ms. Asma Khatri	Student	Volunteers
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109	Mr. Munna Kumar Yadav	Student	Volunteers
110	Mr. Bhupendra Gautam	Student	Volunteers
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112	Mr. Samir Shiwakoti	Volunteers	Volunteers
113	Ms. Nischala K.C.	Volunteers	Volunteers
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ANNEX-3:
POWERPOINT PRESENTATIONS

Annex 3.1



Needs of skill and innovation through R&D for the dairy industry growth



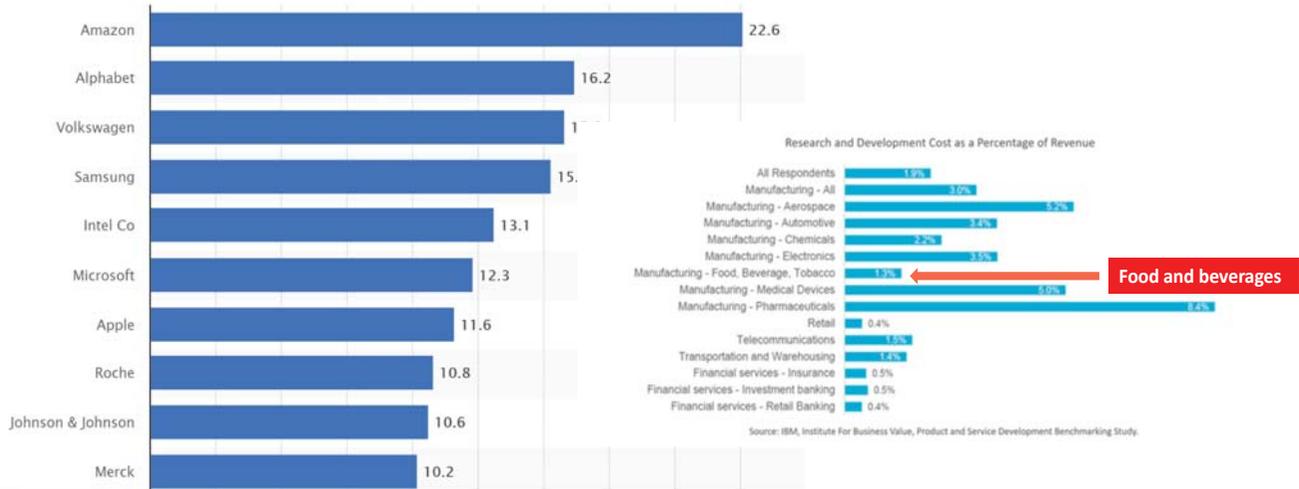
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R & D investment in different industry sectors

R&D investment ∝ Sales & Profit



R & D tax credits- global practice

100-200% tax credits to industries for their expenditures

Worldwide R&D Incentives Reference Guide 2018

Nepal- not documented- not known to me???????

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Expedited government approval process	<input type="checkbox"/>
VAT reimbursement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Qualifies for Horizon 2020 funding	<input type="checkbox"/>

R & D Levy (Milk) in Australia- Govt matching 50:50

Dairy produce (includes milk, cream and other such products made from or containing milk) levy rate comprises Animal Health **Australia (AHA)** membership, marketing and research and development (R&D)

Levy component	Levy rate – Milk fat	Levy rate – Protein
AHA	0.0580 cents per kilogram	0.1385 cents per kilogram
R&D and Marketing	2.8683 cents per kilogram	6.9914 cents per kilogram
SUB TOTAL	2.9263 cents per kilogram	7.1299 cents per kilogram
TOTAL	10.0562 cents per kilogram	

Levy and charge revenue used to biosecurity preparedness and emergency plant pest and animal disease responses, residue testing, marketing and research and development.

<http://www.agriculture.gov.au/ag-farm-food/levies/rates/dairy#return-and-payment-dates>

Farm gate price of milk (raw milk price) in Australia

Milk solids= Fat and protein only (~3.25+4.0=7.25%)

	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18(p)
cents/litre	48.5	44.9	40.9	46.0
\$/kg milk solids	6.49	6.01	5.46	6.14

Dairy
Australia
(R&D Corp)



Levy for R&D:
10 cents/kg solids (1.6% =0.75 cents/Litre)

Rs 37/Litre



In store

Pauls Full Cream Milk 2L \$3.10 Woolworths

Rs 126/Litre

Knowledge and skills key to Innovation

Knowledge and skills:

- Farm level- raw milk production and handling
- Technical- factory operations and energy saving
- Improved or Innovative product development
- Waste utilisation and treatments
- Attractive packaging!!! Very important these days
- Management
- Marketing
- Sales



R&D for profit and growth

Competitiveness on price and product quality



- Domestic products



- Imported products
(authorised and unauthorised)



Quality to Quality Formula



R & D

Quality raw materials-----Quality product

Quality Process-----Quality product

Quality manpower-----Quality product

Packaging-most important for consumers' perception

- Appearance
- Quality
- Shelf life
- Safety

R & D for cost-effective but attractive packaging



Industry priority

- Low raw material cost
- Cheap process
- Cheap manpower
- More sale price of the product

Successful and sustainable Industry: **No compromise on Quality**

R&D for the best quality product and innovations

Involvement of students (dairy/food) in R & D projects (future employee)

- **DEVELOP NEW PRODUCTS**
- **PACKAGING**
- **IMPROVEMENT OF CURRENT PRODUCTS**

- **Enthusiastic**
- **Creative**
- **Cheap/probably free**
- **No long term commitment (come and go)**

Industry commitment to training

Improved or Innovative product development

Approaches:

- Evaluate the current process and procedures
- Reverse Engineering to match the best product in the market
- Packaging- the most important for the impression on quality and shelf-life- invest more on packaging...

Reverse engineering

- Duplicate the product by identifying the components of a high quality product
- Common R&D practice of the industries to compete with the market product
- Illegal to copy but legal to improve the product



Example

R&D Need- Famous Juju Dhau



Hygiene?????
Safety ??????

R&D for characterisation, quality and packaging improvements

R & D results in improved packaging and quality product



Example

R& D: High protein Dahi (children, elderly, athletes)



Standard- 16% solids, 4% protein



High strength, 6% protein



Double strength, 8% protein

- Firmness increased
- No wheying-off
- Double nutrition
- Niche market
- Supreme quality product
- Price doubled

Plant sterol fortified milk, yoghurt and butter

Plant sterols everyday (2-3 g) can reduce blood *cholesterol* by up to 15% in 3-4 weeks

8% plant sterol

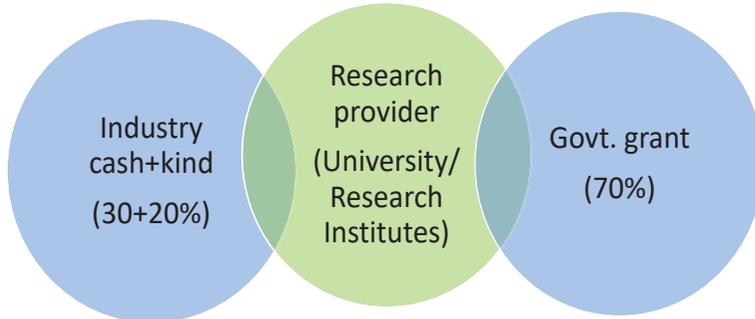


A 10% reduction in serum cholesterol:

- In men aged 40: 50% reduction in heart disease within 5 years;
- aged 70 years: an average 20% reduction in heart disease occurrence in the next 5 years.

Require R & D

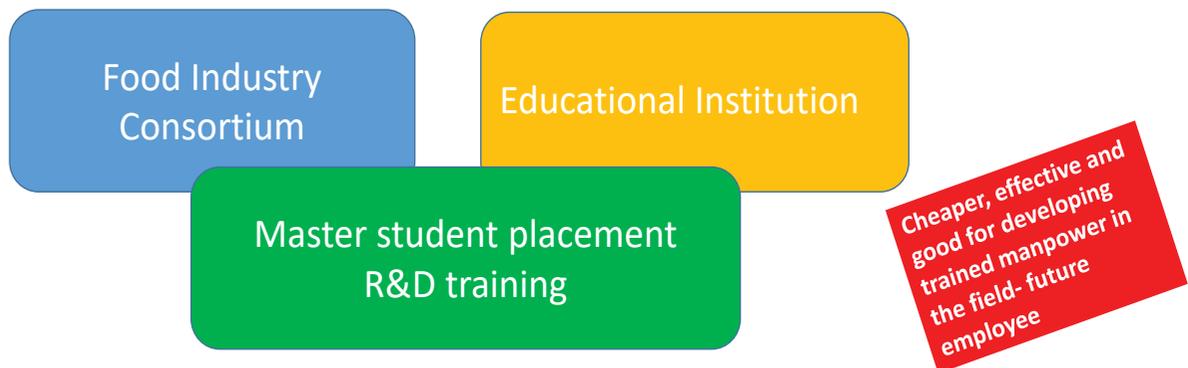
Global practices on R&D: Industry linkage grants



Objectives:

- New product- improved product
- Increase the competitiveness
- Skill development
- Capacity building

Thailand: work-integrated education



- ❖ Several industries come together and commit the training of internships (Bachelor and Masters level)- agreement for 5-10 years
- ❖ May pay minimum wage as scholarships to motivate the students
- ❖ Supervisor from industry as well as from the institutions
- ❖ Students are allocated to all activities of the factory or R&D activities



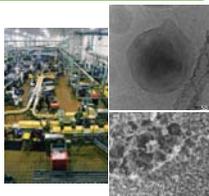
ARC INDUSTRIAL TRANSFORMATION RESEARCH HUB (2014-2019) \$7M
Research to Underpin the Future of THE Australian Dairy Manufacturing Industry

The ARC Dairy Innovation Hub brings together three of Australia's leading dairy research groups from the University of Queensland, University of Melbourne and Dairy Innovation Australia Ltd.

UQ RESEARCH THEMES

PROCESS INNOVATIONS

Innovate processing technologies to create dairy ingredients with new and enhanced functionalities



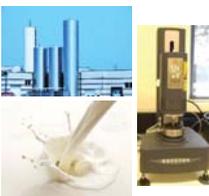
QUALITY

Characterise cheese flavour; oral processing and perception of dairy foods



DAIRY CONCENTRATES

Develop break-through science relevant to processability of dairy concentrates



DAIRY- MICROBIOLOGY-BIOCONTROL

Discover 'green preservatives' for spoilage moulds and sporeformers



Funding formula (\$7.0 M)

- Industry linkage R&D project
- 70% (\$5.0 million) funded by the federal government
- 30% (\$2.0 Million) from Dairy Industries and Dairy Australia
- University of Queensland and University of Melbourne
- 5 major dairy industries in Australia involved

R&D innovations

Encapsulated Lactoferrin- Bioactive protein in milk



Huma Bokkhim
PhD project

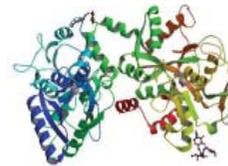
Outstanding researcher
Highly motivated



Inferrin™ - Bega Bionutrients ...



Microencapsulated Lactoferrin ...

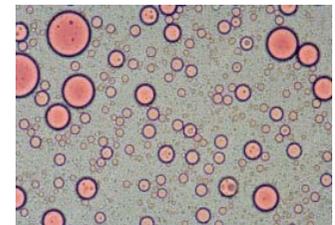
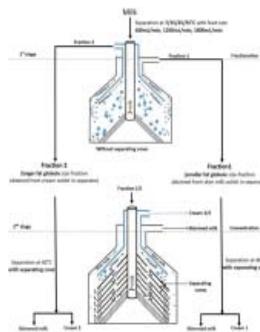


R&D innovations

Milk cream fractionation based on fat globule size (modification of cream separator)



Pramesh Dhungana
PhD project



Softer butter, cheese, heat stable cooking cream and high quality whipped cream

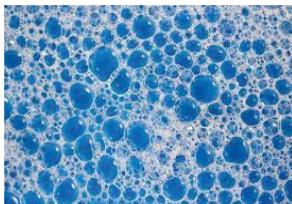
(patent application)

R&D innovations

Gas nanobubbles: Control of crystallisation of milk fat, lactose and ice



Bhaskar Adhikari
PhD project



Prolong stability (melting) and increased smooth texture

(Patent application)

Have we done anything to support this small innovative enterprise?

Goat milk cheese factory (Chitlang)



Ashok Kumar Singh Thakuri



An example of dedication- have we helped this enterprise?

Himalayan French Cheese Factory- Dhulikhel- an example of imported cheese replacement



Francois Driard



Produces more than 10 varieties of cheeses

**Example: Education and Dairy Company initiated Research Institute- small investment
but larger impact**

Goat Milk Research Institute- Jiangnan University (China) and Kabrita joint R &D Centre



International Advisory Board member

Established: May 2019



CONCLUSION

- **Government**
 - Funding support to R & D activities to improve the quality and promote domestic products against imported products
 - Introduce tax incentives for R&D investments (if not existing)
 - National pride- Impose/encourage use of domestic dairy products' use in hotels and national carriers
- **Company**
 - Invest on R&D
 - Support R&D through educational institutions' student internships program- cheapest and fastest methods- the best opportunity to use young and enthusiastic generation
- **Academic/Research institutions**
 - Run specialised short courses or specialised technical trainings
 - Develop consortium with various companies
- Establishment of **Research Institute** dedicated to dairy product development and trouble shooting advices



Annex 3.2

Current Status, Requirement
and Availability of Technical
Human Resources in Dairy
Industries.



“गोठ देखि ओठ सम्म”
From Farm to Fork

Er. Arniko Rajbhandary

President : Dairy Industries Association

Director : Nepal Dairy Pvt. Ltd



Milkonommic Footprint

GDP Contribution



Farm Families involved



Dairy Cooperatives



Total Investment



Total Direct Employment



Cash Flow

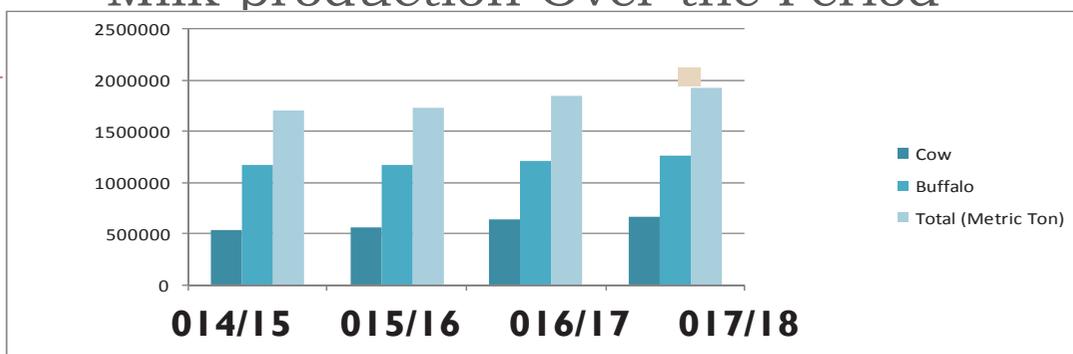


Import



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Milk production Over the Period



Cow Milk ('000 MT)	558	640	665	769
Buffalo Milk ('000 MT)	1168	1215	1258	1314
Total Milk ('000 MT)	1726	1855	1923	2083
Cow milk growth %	4.77	14.69	4.03	15.5
Buffalo milk growth %	0.0	3.99	3.62	4.4
Total Milk growth %	1.46	7.48	3.77	8.23

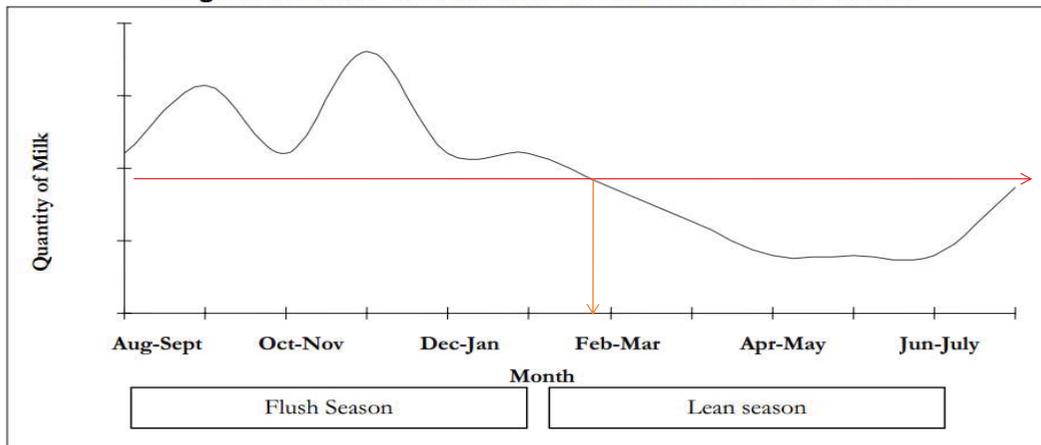
Source: MOULD / DLS 2018

Milk consumption per capita per year

1. FAO recommendation 92 ltr/yr (252ml/day)
2. Govt target – (Self Sufficiency) F.Y. 2019/20
3. Per capita availability 72 ltr/ yr (197 ml / day)
4. Existing Milk Production (2.082 M. Mt/ yr)
5. Targeted production for self Sufficient 2.5 Million Mt.
6. Deficit : 0.416 Million Mt (4.16 lakh M.ton)

Milk Production Pattern of Nepal

Figure 3: Pattern of Seasonal Variation in Milk Collection

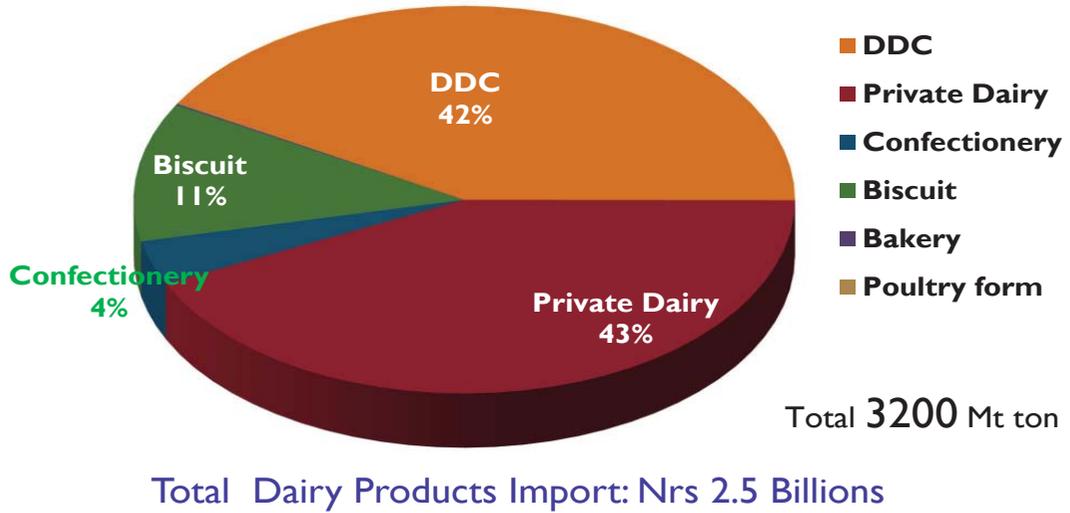


Flush Season August - February

Lean (Dry) Season March – July

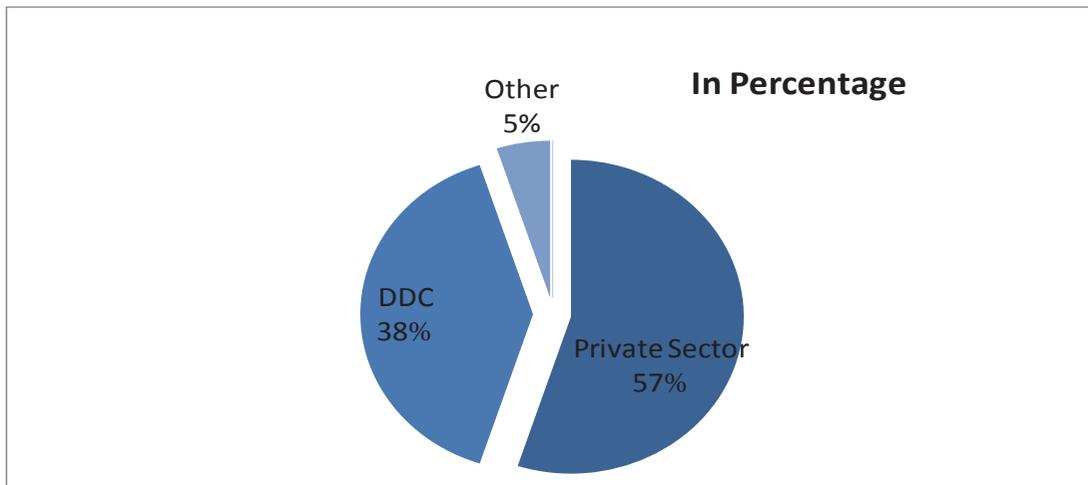
This Year DIA Facilitated 3.5 million ltrs. Milk for SMP Conversion

Annual Skimmed Milk Powder Consumption



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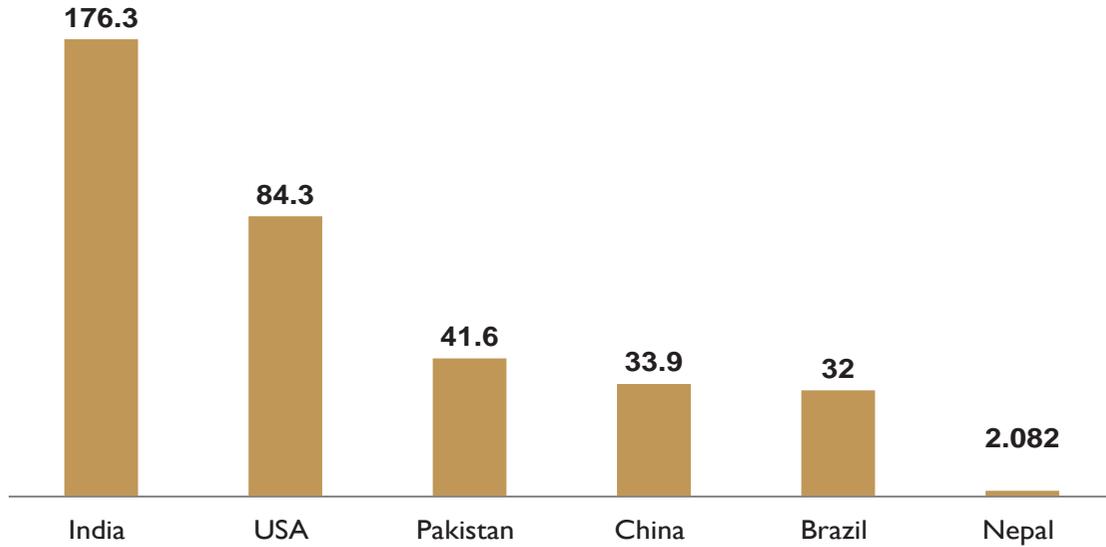
Market Share



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Source: DIA/MOLDIN

**World top Milk Production Countries and Nepal
(in Million tons)**



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Source: IFCN/MOAD/N

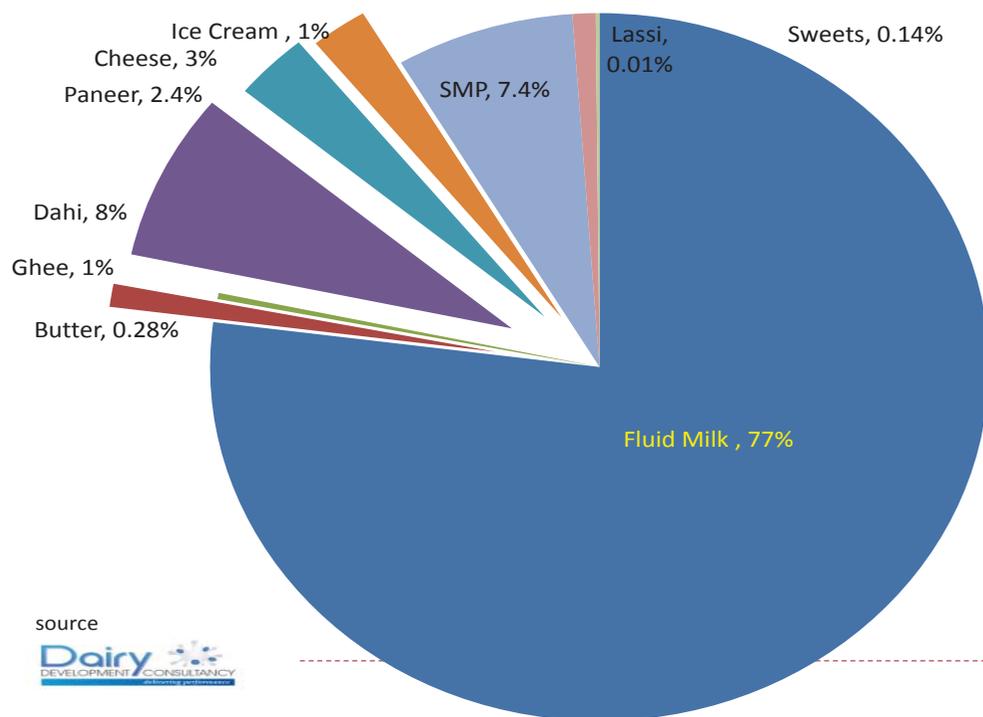
World Top Buffalo Milk Producing Countries - 2017

Rank	Country	Production(Million Mt)
1	<u>India</u>	70.00
2	<u>Pakistan</u>	24.61
3	<u>China</u>	3.05
4	<u>Egypt</u>	2.16
5	<u>Nepal</u>	1.18
6	<u>Myanmar</u>	0.30
7	<u>Italy</u>	0.19

- Focus on buffalo milk based specialty products, like Mozzarella cheese- comparative advantage
- Less disposal problem for unproductive buffaloes

(source :Global Animal Feed Survey)

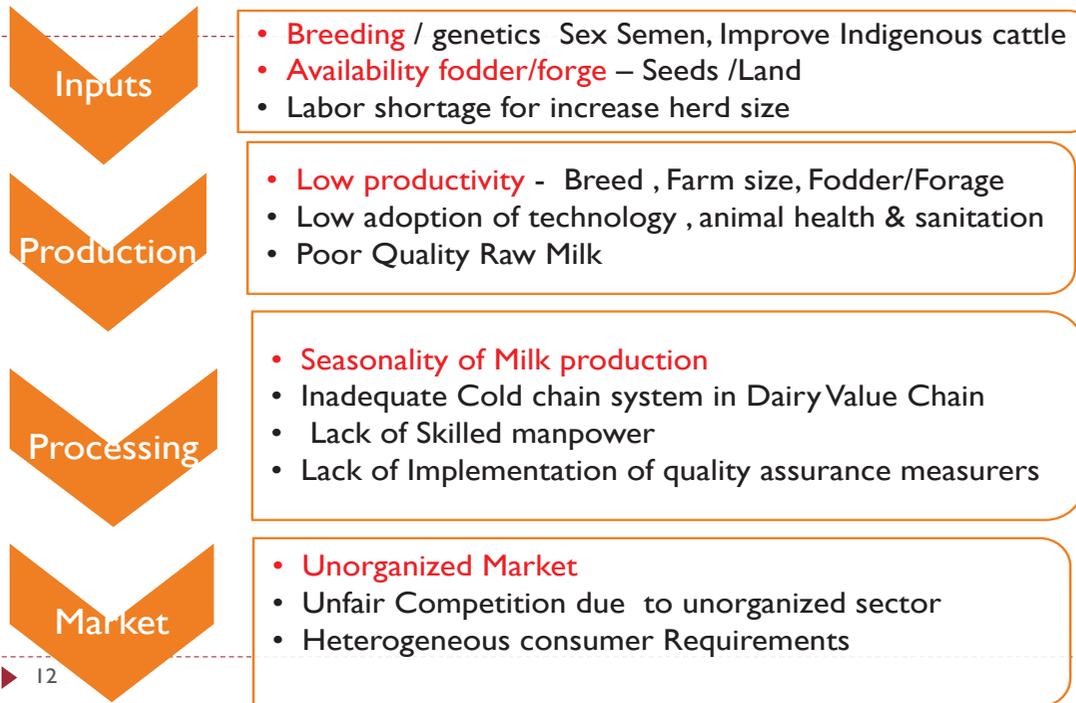
Share of Milk in Dairy Product Production



Manpower Requirement Scenario

Scale	Capacity (Ltrs/day)	Plants	Required Technologist (Food/Dairy)	Required Skilled Technician	Sector
Large	50,000-150,000	4	20	100	Private
Medium	10,000-50,000	25	50	150	Private
Small	<10,000	50	60	180	Private
Cottage	200-500	>600		1200	Private
Small	<10,000	10	20	50	Co-operative
Medium	10,000-50,000	2	10	20	Co-operative
Total			140	1700	

Key Challenges across Dairy Value chain



The Way Forward

- ▶ Implementation of genetic improvement program
 - ▶ Preparing & Execution of Raw milk Standards
 - ▶ Encouraging dairy farming through with low interest rate financing with livestock insurance
 - ▶ Strictly adoption of proper cold chain system in dairy value chain
 - ▶ Providing short and long-term training to mid-level dairy personnel for their skill development
 - ▶ Strictly regulated unorganized sectors
 - ▶ Implementing Quality Assurance Measurers i.e. GMP, GHP HACCP, ISO 22000
- ▶

Current activities : (Dairy Industries Association):

- ▶ Upgrade of Dairy Technology Handbook.
- ▶ Piloting Program on Antibiotic Microbial Test in raw milk
- ▶ Develop and implement SOPs and SSOP in dairy Industries.
- ▶ Conduct ToT training for Dairy and Food Technologist
- ▶ Conduct Work based dairy technician Training
- ▶ Organize Exposure Visit for Technology Transfer

Flush Season Milk Conversion

- ▶ DIA its Members Cover 40 Lakh Liters



SMP



350 MT.

BUTTER



200 MT.



TOT Training on DairyFood Basics



Work Place Based Training



Written Exam



Practical Session



Working in the Dairy



Theory Class

Training and Manpower Development



Developed Occupational Health & Safety Dairy Industries

जुनियर डेरी टेक्नीसियनका लागि सहयोगी पुस्तिका
(Junior Dairy Technician Hand Book)

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OHS Management System

OHS Checklist: Do We Need Improvement?
✓ PPE Signs

EYE PROTECTION REQUIRED

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Any Question ?

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Annex 3.3



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- There are the people who are require as in production area, dairy boy to assist in coordinating with farmers and do some kinds of lab testing.

Background

- With the opening of private in the dairy sector there was a huge social economic improves in value chain a long with which there was tremendous demand for human resources currently the dairy sector requires
 - Skilled
 - Semi skilled unskilled
 - unskilled

Skilled

- These are the people who might be dairy tech. or b.tech, there present is mainly requires in production area, engineering section, raw milk collection center of dairy sector
- the person who is trained, experienced, devoted to their field and is capable of doing any specific work and efficiently



Semi skilled

- These are the people who are require as operating in production area, dairy boy to assist in co-ordinating with farmer and do some kinds of lab testing.



Unskilled manpower

- Labours.
- Untrained employees.



S. W. O. T. analysis

- S W O T analysis of private sector perspective on requirement and availability of technical human resources in dairy business.
- It involves in the collection and portrayal of information about internal and external factors that have, or may have, an impact on the evolution of an organization or business. It generally provides a list of an organization's Strengths and Weaknesses as indicated by an analysis of its resources and capabilities, plus a list of the Threats and Opportunities identified by an analysis of its environment. Strategic logic requires that the future pattern of actions to be taken should match strengths with opportunities ward off threats and seek to overcome weaknesses.

STRENGTH

- With the growth of Dairy and food processing industries there has been growth in food and dairy technology institute.
- Students have shown lots of interest in this subject.
- Government also providing so much facilities for opening new dairy industries.
- Industries are also collecting raw milks from rural and undeveloped areas, and also providing grains for cows and buffaloes.

- Enhanced milk production with consequently increased availability of milk processing.
- Improved purchasing power of the consumer.
- Improved transportation facilities for movement of milk and milk products.
Increased availability of indigenously manufactured equipment.
- Large number of dairy plants in the country.
- Vast pool of highly trained and qualified manpower available to the industry.

Weakness

- There has been lack of co-ordination between food and dairy technology institute and industries.
- Lack of well equipped facilities.
- Lack of knowledge of food and dairy industries.
- Lack of improvement in milk and milk products.
- Lack of modern technology also not improving in dairy industry in Nepal.
- Lack of Concepts of NDRI.
- These are also a issues facing by a dairy farmers outside of the straight economic challenges of price and cost.
- Lack of theoretical knowledge.

- Lack of appropriate technologies for tropical climate conditions.
- Erratic power supply.
- Lack of awareness for clean milk production.
- Underdeveloped raw milk collection systems in certain parts of the country.
- Seasonal fluctuations in milk production pattern.
- Regional imbalance of milk supply.
- Species-wise variation in milk quality received by dairy plants.
- Poor productivity of cattle and arable land.
- Scarce capital for investment in the dairy development programmes on a priority basis.

Concepts of NDRI

- Model Dairy Plant provides one year In-plant training to the students of B. Tech. (DT) of the N.D.R.I. Deemed University during the 4th year of the course curriculum.
- The students are provided with complete infrastructure for training, which helps them in gaining sufficient experience in managing the modern commercial Dairy Plant and instills confidence in handling real life problems in production management.
- It also provides infrastructure facilities to the scientists of NDRI for scaling up R & D concepts from laboratory scale to industrial scale under commercial environment.

Concept of National Dairy Research Institute



opportunity

- With growth of dairy and food industries, Students have shown lots of interest in this subject.
- Government has been providing and giving facilities for selling new milk products.
- Greatly improved export potential for milk products of western as well as traditional types.
- Expanding market for traditional dairy products.
- Increasing demand for fluid milk as well as value added products.
- By product utilization for import substitution.
- Employment generation.
- Growing demand for milk and milk products.
- Liberalized policies in dairy sector.
- Availability of large resources of unconventional feeds and fodder.

- Integrated structure of marketing for milk and milk products.
- Integrated structure of livestock marketing through regulated markets.
- Improved collection of data on contract basis through agencies.
- Market information intelligence system for milk and milk products.
- Development of software for project formulation for dairy enterprise.

Threat

- Due to lack of theoretical and practical knowledge
- Due to there is lack of quality students
- Introduction of foreign products in Indian market.
- Increasing chemical contaminants and residual antibiotics in milk.
- Poor microbiological quality of milk.
- Export of quality feed ingredients particularly cakes under the liberalization policy.
- Deficiency of molasses, a rich source of energy and binding agent in feed industry and constituent of urea molasses mineral lick.
- Excessive grazing pressure on marginal and small community lands resulting in complete degradation of land.

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Nepal Dairy Science Association (NDSA) is pleased to inform and invite you to attend a
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Poster session for presenting the research findings and innovations.

International participants from India, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Sri-Lanka, Bhutan, Afghanistan, China, Australia, USA, Thailand (success stories of school milk programme), Asian dairy association, Heifer International, as well from International dairy federation (IDF), FAO and other donors working in the field of dairy and livestock development in Nepal.

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Day 1: Inaugural session and Dairy Exhibition starts

Day 2: Paper presentations: Asia Regional Dairy Scenario, & Dairy Development Scenario in Pradesh.
Poster Session for presenting the research findings & innovations by young Scientists.

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