Food Security Sector Livestock Survey Overview

This survey was targeted at actors working in Cox’s Bazar District that are involved in livestock related activities (i.e. vaccination campaigns, poultry rearing, trainings, etc.) to further understand partner livestock interventions and potential areas where FSS can support (i.e. guidance note, collaborations, etc.)
A total of 25 partner organizations responded to the survey, of which 23 have on-going or planned livestock activities. 82.6% of the respondents with livestock activities have needs for strengthening livestock initiatives.

22 partner organizations conduct livestock trainings on 10 different activities. Livestock Rearing was the most widespread training, conducted by all of the respondents.
Do you provide cash for livestock activities?

- Yes: 52.17%
- No: 47.83%

Cash Distribution

12 out of 23 (52%) respondents provide cash for livestock activities. 6 out of 12 of the cash providing respondents provide more than 12,000 BDT per household per year. 3 out of 12 provide between 9,000 to 12,000 BDT per household per year. 2 out of 12 provide between 3,000 to 6,000 BDT per household per year. 1 out of 12 provide between 1,000 to 3,000 BDT per household per year.
Do you provide in-kind support?

- Yes: 60.87%
- No: 39.13%

Types of in-kind inputs provided:

- Livestock: 11
- Livestock Shelter Kits: 5
- Medicine: 4
- Fodder Kits: 2
- Feed: 1
- Poultry Feed and Egg Tray: 1
- Provided cash to ensure purchase of livestock: 1
- Vaccine Kit for LSP Vaccinator: 1
- Vitamin & Minerals: 1

In-Kind Inputs

14 out of 23 (60.9%) respondents provide in-kind support for livestock. Providing direct livestock was the most extensive form of in-kind input, carried out by 11 out of 14 respondents. Providing Livestock Shelter Kits, Medicine and Fodder Kits were also common among in-kind inputs.
Outside of training, cash support and in-kind input, all 23 respondents are engaged in other livestock related activities. 19 out of 23 (82.6%) organizations are engaged in awareness on livestock. 56.5% of respondents are engaged in disease control and mass vaccination initiative, as well as market linkages for input/output markets. Veterinary services was also quite widespread with engagement from 47.8% of respondents.

Other activities were described as livestock quarantine, observing World Milk Day/Food Safety Day etc., engaging religious leaders to promote milk and meat uptake for human consumption, and linking government offices with livestock engagement.
Documentation

All 23 respondents maintain some form of document on livestock interventions, including operational guidelines, survey data, SoP, and training modules.
Way Forward

Majority (87%) of the survey respondents who are engaged in livestock activities are interested in a Food Security Sector Livestock Working Group with regularly held meetings on a monthly (68%) basis. Email is the most preferred form of communication.