



Livestock and Nutrition in Emergencies Webinar, 3rd November 2020 – Outstanding Questions

1. **Question:** Has index-based insurance been helpful to livestock farmers and therefore their nutrition?

Answer: Livestock insurance including index-based insurance will be covered in a forthcoming webinar in early 2021.

2. **Question:** I am just wondering what can be done to fill up this gap between livestock and human nutrition especially in Africa.

Answer: I think the answer to this question is covered by the discussion paper, which outlines what can be done by livestock interventions to better impact nutrition

3. **Question:** Is there a good summary somewhere of the main zoonotic disease threats observed in the field under larger/increasing livestock numbers ?

Answer: LEGS doesn't cover the specifics of zoonotic diseases. The following references might be of help: http://www.fao.org/ag/againfo/home/en/news_archive/2019_TZG.html
http://www.fao.org/ag/againfo/programmes/en/empres/zoonotic_diseases.html

4. **Question:** During emergencies e.g drought which is more common in East Africa, LEGS tries to help animals at least survive by providing water, feed etc so how can animals help to increase the nutrition of the family when animals are trying to survive and others are dying?

Answer: Interventions that support animals to survive and preserve critical assets in themselves can support nutrition by maintaining the livelihoods that support access to food and health care and through relieving work/social pressure on women for childcare. They may also help to maintain household/maternal/child dietary quality where households rely on own consumption of ASFs

5. **Question:** Milk is a highly perishable food. Those who own livestock have access but what about those who have to buy it? Dairy value chains are so tricky to develop in rural and resource poor settings. Any ideas how to approach this?

Answer: There's a lot written on dairy value chains, but it's not my area of expertise particularly. The links here may help:

<https://care.org/our-work/food-and-nutrition/markets/strengthening-dairy-value-chains-sdvc/#:~:text=48%20shops%20operating%20under%20the%20Krishi%20Utsho%20network.,less%20during%20political%20crisis%2C%20and%20bounced%20back%20faster.>

<https://www.enonline.net/fex/39/study>