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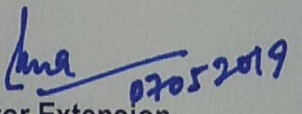
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**Advisory for Sheep/Goat Farmers of Kashmir Valley**

- Ensure regular cleaning and disinfection in and around farms to keep away flies and off-odours.
- The floor of the animal shed should be clean and dry to prevent foot rot and other diseases. In case of foot rot, wash affected feet (foot bath) with 10% ZnSO<sub>4</sub> or 1% CuSO<sub>4</sub> daily until lesions subside. In severe cases administer antibiotic *Enrofloxacin* @ 7mg per kg body weight through intramuscular route.
- With gradual increase in ambient temperature, ensure that the animal sheds get enough sunlight during the day by keeping the doors and windows open for some time to prevent dampness and to complement the disinfection process.
- If the flock has not been dewormed recently, deworm it with suitable broad spectrum anthelmintic at specified dosages e.g. *Fenbendazole* @ 5.0 - 7.5 mg per kg body weight.
- Concentrate feeding may not be required if the animals have access to 6-8 hours daily grazing in good quality pastures. However, dry fodder/hay may be offered @ 1.0 - 1.25 kg per adult animal per day.
- The lambs/kids, which are 3 month old may also be now turned to grazing. However, late born lambs/kids (Late February to March) may be given 200 ml milk per day in addition to 200-250 g creep mixture.
- Grazing animals should be monitored continuously for development of bloat due to excess consumption of certain green fodders (e.g. clover), and in the event of any such eventuality, veterinary assistance may be sought.

  
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### Advisory for Cattle Farmers of Kashmir Valley

- Animal sheds should be kept clean and dung should be removed on daily basis.
- Availability of clean water should be ensured at all times
- Udder of the milch animals should be washed with mild disinfectant solution (e.g potassium permanganate @1-2 mg/litre water) before and after milking to prevent development of Mastitis.
- Personal hygiene of the milker should be ensured and the utensils for milking should be routinely cleaned with detergent solution followed by rinsing with clean water and kept in sun well in advance before milking.
- Greens should be added gradually so as to prevent digestive disturbances. It is preferable to offer dry fodder before turning to grazing so as to ensure that animals do not consume excess greens.
- Certain green fodders like clover during this season may induce bloat in animals if consumed in excess quantities. As such animals should not be allowed to graze for longer duration in fields with huge growth of such fodders.
- In the event of development of any signs of bloat (Stoppage of rumination, ballotment of abdomen etc.), veterinary assistance should be sought immediately.
- Lactating cows should be offered 1kg extra concentrate for every 2.5kg of milk produced. If good quality green fodders are available, concentrate can be reduced @ 1kg concentrate for every 7-8 kg green fodder.
- Mineral supplementation (magnesium, calcium, phosphorus etc.) should be done to prevent deficiencies.
- **Homemade Concentrate**

Feed ingredient	Parts
Wheat bran	20
Rice bran	15
Mustard oil cake	22
Maize	35
Molasses/Gur	5

Salts (mixture of iodized salt)	1
Mineral mixture	2

**Machine made:** Pellet feeds for cattle available in market etc.

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