

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SMALL RUMINANTS GENETIC IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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In view of the Philippines commitment to the Convention on Biodiversity and in the face of narrowing diversity of animal genetic resources in the country, the National Genetic Resource Improvement Program for Livestock and Poultry (NGRIP) was formulated. The program aims to effectively and efficiently manage the existing animal genetic resources of the country for a sustainable livestock industry. The NGRIP is the general concept of which this Small Ruminant Genetic Improvement Program (SRGIP) is a component.

The SRGIP aims to improve the productivity and efficiency of goats and sheep in the different production systems. The program will establish records of breed standards in the Philippines. Along this line, Livestock Production Centers (LPC's)/Stock Farms (SF's) operations and activities are redefined toward the concept of the Nucleus Breeding Scheme (NBS).

The NBS shall utilize a network of breeding farms (Nucleus Farms) and shall produce elite breeders (either F1 purebreds or Improved Native) through scientific selection and proper use of breeding systems. The F1s shall be distributed to the different Multiplier Farms (MF's) that produce the F2 crossbreds. These F2s shall be subjected to performance and evaluation tests in the different agro-ecological conditions and production systems in the country.

Breeds to Use and Site Assignments:

Goats:

Anglo Nubian - Asean Goat and Sheep Center

Labangan, Zamboanga del Sur

- National Center for Forage and Pasture

Dumingag, Zamboanga del Sur

- Palayan Livestock Development Center

Palayan City, Nueva Ecija

- Himamaylan Breeding Station

Negros Occidental

- Masbate Breeding Station, Masbate

- Sacobia Breeding Station, Sacobia, Tarlac

- Siaton Breeding Station, Siaton

Negros Oriental

- Solana Breeding Station, Solana, Cagayan

- Sual Breeding Station, Sual, Pangasinan

Boer - Asean Goat and Sheep Center

Labangan, Zamboanga del Sur

- Malitbog Breeding Station

Malitbog, Southern Leyte

- Solana Breeding Station, Solana, Cagayan

Saanen - Asean Goat and Sheep Center

Labangan, Zamboanga del Sur

- Luna Breeding Station, Apayao

- Malitbog Breeding Station

Malitbog, Southern Leyte

- Siaton Breeding Station

Siaton, Negros Oriental

Native - Malitbog Breeding Station

Malitbog, Southern Leyte

- Siaton Breeding Station

Siaton, Negros Oriental

- Sual Breeding Station, Sual, Pangasinan

Sheep:

Katahdin - Palayan Livestock Production Center

Palayan City, Nueva Ecija

- Gamu Breeding Station, Isabela

- Pamplona Breeding Station

Negros Oriental

- Sacobia Breeding Station, Sacobia, Tarlac

Rambouillet

Merino - Asean Goat and Sheep Center

Labangan, Zamboanga del Sur

- National Center for Forage and Pasture

Dumingag, Zamboanga del Sur

- Gamu Breeding Station, Isabela

- Himamaylan Breeding Station

Negros Occidental

- San Miguel Breeding Station

San Miguel, Leyte

- Sual Breeding Station, Sual, Pangasinan

St. Croix - Asean Goat and Sheep Center

Labangan, Zamboanga del Sur

- San Miguel Breeding Station

San Miguel, Leyte

Native - San Miguel Breeding Station

San Miguel, Leyte

- Sual Breeding Station, Sual, Pangasinan

The Operations Manual (attached[*]) provides the general guidelines for this particular program.

Provisions for budgetary requirement to implement and support the operation of the NFs shall be incorporated into the regular appropriations of the Regional Field Units.

For strict compliance.

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[*] Text available at Office of the National Administrative Register, U.P. Law Complex, Diliman, Quezon City.

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