

Improving smallholder beef supply and livelihoods through cattle-palm system integration in Indonesia



Key details

Location

Indonesia

Duration

Start May 2018

End Dec 2020

Budget

AUD 2,856,186

Commissioned organisation

University of New England

Partners

Balai Pengkajian Teknologi Pertanian South Sumatera, Indonesia; Balai Pengkajian Teknologi Pertanian East Kalimantan, Indonesia ; Northern Territory Department of Primary Industry and Fisheries, Australia; Indonesia Centre for Animal Research and Development

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Program

[Livestock Systems](#)

Project code

LS/2015/048



Overview

This project aimed to significantly improve both beef supply and the livelihoods of smallholders and other beef value chain participants in Indonesia.

Focused on research results, supporting capacity building, developing and testing business models and establishing demonstration sites, while aiming to essentially match consumer demand for beef with domestic production of beef cattle, the strategic approach of this project moved beyond co-ordination among technical systems to employ business models in action research, playing a part in the DFAT-funded IndoBeef Program.

Measures of success included the number of households participating, plantations involved, research questions answered and outcomes produced, number of partners in agreement with practices, number of models developed, demonstration sites operating using most efficient models, the extent of scale out and the impact of communicating the results.

Project outcomes

- Identifying constraints and opportunities for improving beef cattle productivity and profitability in association with palm systems.
- Developing strategies to address constraints to successful palm-cattle integration.

- Identifying potential business models for improving smallholder beef cattle productivity and profitability in palm systems.
- Providing a strategy for scaling out palm-cattle integration.



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