



LIVELIHOODS & ECONOMIC GROWTH

Context

Animal Source Foods (ASF) have an important role to play in inclusive and resilient, nutrition-sensitive development.

Access to affordable, safe and nutritious ASF – such as eggs, fish, meat, dairy products – are critical to reduce stunting and adequately fed global communities, as well as build resilience and create economic stability.

The work here represents a strategy to understand COVID-19 market distortions and disruptions in the competitiveness and resiliency of the ASF supply chain.

In July 2020, Land O'Lakes Venture37 conducted a pulse survey with 66 value-chain actors from four countries across three continents. Participants in Rwanda, Mozambique, Bangladesh, and Georgia represented the ASF market system, including farmers, processors, agro-input retailers and banks.

Partners must adapt by building more resilient livestock food systems to cost-effectively supply these nutrient dense foods.

Full report: <http://bit.ly/SurveyASF>

Solutions to Animal Sourced Food Challenges during Covid-19

The following links in the ASF Value-Chain demonstrated the need for capacity development:

- Animal Nutrition: Feed Mills and Forages
- ASF Producers efficiencies
- ASF Processors product adaptations
- ASF Consumers food safety

The USAID-funded LINQ project is partnering with agribusinesses, processors and producers to improve productivity, product safety, and quality while creating new market linkages.

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Resilience Barriers

ASF constraints and barriers identified along the ASF supply chain include:

- Animal feeds & forages are not in sufficient supply and quality to match increasing needs,
- Producers need to improve efficiencies in management to take advantage of improved genetics being scaled out,
- Processors & aggregation need capacity development in market adaption and product development,
- Consumers face economic- nutrition sensitive barriers which requires behavior change.

CONSUMPTION OF ASF SINCE COVID-19 HAS FALLEN BY

37%

Future steps

Advocate for the design of programs which address:

- Support commercial feed operations, forage production and raw material supply chains.
- Support the availability of producer inputs, ranging from veterinary services to post-harvest storage.
- Increase capacity of ASF packaging and shelf-life, along with the development of cold-chains.
- Make food safety a top priority starting with producers, all workers in the value-chain and with the consumers of ASF products.



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