Training Course on Climate Change Impacts on Livestock and Adaptation

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Agriculture	**Duration**	10 Days
Base Fee	$3,000 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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With a strong focus on climate-smart livestock farming, the course integrates cutting-edge scientific insights, technological innovation, and policy frameworks. Participants will learn how to assess climate risks, develop adaptive action plans, improve breeding and feeding practices, and leverage financial tools such as insurance and carbon credits. This training is ideal for agricultural extension officers, veterinarians, farmers, researchers, NGOs, policymakers, and livestock value chain actors committed to sustainable agricultural transformation in the era of global climate change.

Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives

1. Understand climate-smart livestock production systems.
2. Analyze the effects of climate change on animal health and productivity.
3. Identify sustainable feeding and grazing strategies under changing climates.
4. Explore innovative water management techniques for livestock.
5. Evaluate livestock breed selection and genetic adaptation options.
6. Assess climate-induced disease emergence and control mechanisms.
7. Understand greenhouse gas emissions and carbon footprint reduction in livestock.
8. Utilize early warning systems for drought and heat stress in livestock systems.
9. Develop community-based adaptation strategies.
10. Enhance policy engagement and advocacy skills for livestock climate resilience.
11. Integrate livestock insurance and climate finance tools.
12. Apply ICT and precision livestock farming technologies.
13. Design and implement climate-resilient livestock action plans.

Target Audience

1. Agricultural extension workers
2. Livestock farmers and herders
3. Veterinary officers
4. Livestock researchers and scientists
5. Climate change and environment officers
6. Agribusiness and livestock value chain actors
7. Policymakers and government officials
8. NGO and development agency staff

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Course Modules

Module 1: Climate Change and Livestock Systems Overview

- Climate variability and livestock sensitivity
- Key climate threats to livestock
- Global vs regional trends in livestock vulnerability
- Ecosystem service disruptions
- Socio-economic implications
- **Case Study**: Livestock losses in the Sahel due to drought

Module 2: Climate-Smart Livestock Production

- Principles of climate-smart livestock
- Sustainable intensification
- Low-emission feeding systems
- Integration of crop-livestock systems
- Adaptation-mitigation synergies

- **Case Study**: Climate-smart dairy in Kenya

Module 3: Livestock Breeding for Resilience

- Genetic selection for heat tolerance
- Local vs exotic breeds
- Breeding technologies
- Conservation of indigenous breeds
- Climate-resilient reproductive practices
- **Case Study**: Indigenous goats and resilience in India

Module 4: Sustainable Feed and Forage Systems

- Climate-resilient pasture species
- Feed preservation and storage
- Rotational grazing
- Alternative feed sources
- Feed-water-energy nexus
- **Case Study**: Forage banks in Ethiopia

Module 5: Animal Health under Climate Stress

- Heat stress and animal welfare
- Vector-borne diseases
- Immune suppression
- Veterinary public health
- Integrated disease surveillance
- **Case Study**: Rift Valley Fever outbreaks and response

Module 6: Water Management in Livestock Systems

- Water stress and animal productivity
- Water harvesting technologies
- Efficient watering systems
- Managing livestock near wetlands
- Water quality and pollution
- **Case Study**: Solar-powered watering points in Tanzania

Module 7: Livestock Housing and Microclimate Modification

- Design for ventilation and insulation
- Heat mitigation shelters
- Flood and storm protection
- Energy-efficient housing
- Materials for thermal control
- **Case Study**: Ventilated poultry houses in Southeast Asia

Module 8: Pasture and Land Management

- Soil conservation and carbon storage
- Degraded land restoration
- Grassland management
- Grazing control systems
- Combating desertification
- **Case Study**: Rangeland rehabilitation in Mongolia

Module 9: Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction

- Livestock’s carbon footprint
- Methane reduction from enteric fermentation
- Manure management techniques
- Carbon sequestration options
- Emissions monitoring
- **Case Study**: Low-carbon beef production in Brazil

Module 10: Early Warning and Response Systems

- Drought monitoring tools
- Climate forecasting for livestock
- Risk mapping
- Decision-support tools
- Early response planning
- **Case Study**: LEWS (Livestock Early Warning System) in East Africa

Module 11: ICT Tools and Precision Livestock Farming

- Mobile apps for animal health
- Livestock tracking systems
- Digital platforms for weather alerts
- Remote sensing in pasture monitoring
- Data-driven animal management
- **Case Study**: e-Vet mobile system in Uganda

Module 12: Policy and Institutional Frameworks

- National climate-livestock policies
- Regulatory gaps and reforms
- Stakeholder roles
- Policy advocacy strategies
- Gender and inclusivity in policy
- **Case Study**: Policy framework for livestock adaptation in Rwanda

Module 13: Livestock Insurance and Climate Finance

- Index-based livestock insurance
- Access to climate finance
- Risk-sharing mechanisms
- Financial literacy for farmers
- Private-public partnerships
- **Case Study**: Kenya Livestock Insurance Program (KLIP)

Module 14: Community-Based Adaptation Planning

- Participatory vulnerability assessments
- Local knowledge integration
- Community training approaches
- Institutional support
- Gender-sensitive adaptation
- **Case Study**: Community adaptation planning in Nepal

Module 15: Designing Climate-Resilient Action Plans

- Steps in action plan development
- Monitoring and evaluation

- Stakeholder engagement
- Sustainability strategies
- Scaling up best practices
- **Case Study**: FAO-supported livestock action plans in West Africa

Training Methodology

- Interactive PowerPoint presentations
- Practical group work and simulations
- Livestock-focused fieldwork exercises
- Case study discussions and reviews
- Expert guest lectures and panel discussions
- Final action plan development and presentation

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

a. The participant must be conversant with English.

b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.

d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.

e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.

f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
09 Nov 2026	20 Nov 2026	Online	$2,000
09 Nov 2026	20 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
09 Nov 2026	20 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000

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09 Nov 2026	20 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
09 Nov 2026	20 Nov 2026	Physical	$12,000
09 Nov 2026	20 Nov 2026	Physical	$9,000
09 Nov 2026	20 Nov 2026	Physical	$12,000
09 Nov 2026	20 Nov 2026	Physical	$12,000

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