Dedication

To my dear family,

Father,

Mother,

Brother,

and Sister,

With endless love.

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Abstract

This study was conducted in Khartoum State between

December-2006 and April-2007 to asses camel milk production and
consumption, evaluation the possibility of encouraging and increasing
awareness on camel milk consumption and to investigate into
favouring and disfavouring factors and conditions affecting camel
milk consumption.

The methodology followed by the study included questionnaires to camel owners and producers in Omdorman and Khartoum North. Random samples of 10 persons of potential consumers of multi-occupational jobs of both sexes were selected from each of the three towns Khartoum, Omdorman and Khartoum North to evaluate camel milk . Avisit and interviewing of a specialized shop owner for selling fresh and fermented camel milk was made. Avisit was also made to the Food Research Center at Shambat and to the electronic library (University of Khartoum). Review of previous literature and documentation and data from the Internet web were also included.

The data was tabulated as frequency tables and simple percentage method of analysis was followed to analyze the results.

The findings of the study showed that 100% of the owners and producers were males due to the nomadic nature of the job and 69.2% of them were either illiterates or of low educational level.

The herd structure was 46.2% males kept with the herd, 30.7% riding animals, 15.4% for meat and 7.7% for racing.

Herd sizes of 1-10 heads were owned by 23.1% of the producers, 10-20 heads by 7.7%, 20-30 heads by 23.1%, 40-100 heads by 15.4% and those above 100 heads by 30.7% respectively.

The average production for a she-camel was 1.5 liters/day and producers family consumption 2-5 liters/ day.

69.2% of the producers preferred fresh milk, 15.4% preferred fermented milk and 15.4% preferred both fresh and fermented.

For the consumers 20% favoured fresh camel milk, 36.7% favoured fermented milk and 43.3% of the sample studied never drank camel milk.

For curing and medicinal treatments 33.3% of the consumers and 38.5% of the producers used it for Gastro-enteritis. 16.7% of the consumers and 30.8% of the producers used it for diabetes, 6.7% of the consumers and 7.7% of the producers for malaria, 15.3% of the producers used it for Jaundice and 7.7% of them for curing Leukaemia.

The most important diseases that affect camel milk production were, Mange at 69.2%, summer diarrhea at 15.4%, Trypansomiasis 7.7% and camel pox at 7.7%.

For investment in camel production 50% of the sample studied put meat as priority number one followed by 36.7% for milk, 10% for racing and 3.3% put both meat and milk for investment.

<u>الملخص</u>

اجريت هذه الدراسة في ولاية الخرطوم في الفتره من ديسمبر 2006 إلى أبريل 2007 لتقييم وتحديد كميات حليب الابل المنتجة والمستهلكة ودراسة إمكانية رفع الوعي بأهمية وتشجيع استهلاك حليب الابل مع مراعاة المحفزات والمحسنات من الاسباب والدواعي لإستهلاك حليب الابل.

اتبعت طريقة الاستبيانات للمنتجين وأصحاب الإبل في أم درمان والخرطوم بحري والخرطوم وتم الإختيار العشوائي لعشرة أشخاص من المستهلكين لحليب الابل من وظائف وطرق كسب عيش متعددة لتقييم لين الإيل.

تُمْتَ الْمُقابِلة الشخصية لصاحب دكان متخصص في بيع حليب الابل " والقارص" أي حليب الابل المتخمر.

تمت زيارة مركز بحوث الاغذية بشمبات والمكتبة الإلكترونية بجامعة الخرطوم لجمع ما توفر من معلومات عن بحوث ودراسات حليب الابل. أيضا تم الدخول في الشبكةالإلكترونية لتجميع المعلومات ذات الصلة. تم تبويب معلومات الدراسة ونتائجها بالجداول التكرارية والنسب المئوية وتم تحليل النتائج وفقا لذلك.

أفادت الدراسة أن كل مالكي وأصحاب الإبل والمنتجين من الذكور بنسبة 100% ويعزى ذلك لطبيعة نظام التربية المترحل وأتضح من الدراسة أن 69.2% منهم إما غير متعلمين أو على درجة متدنية من التعليم

الأساسي والأولي.

أوضحت الدراسة أن تركيب القطعان كان بنسبة 46.2 % ذكورا محفوظة مع القطيع و 30.7% إبل ركوب و 15.4% إبل لحم و 7.7% إبل سباق. أما حجم القطعان كما أشارت نتائج الدراسة فكانت بنسبة 23.1% يملكون 1-10 رأسا و 7.7% من 10-20 رأسا و 23.1% من 20-30 رأسا و 15.4% من 40-100 رأس وأكثر من 100 رأس 30.7%.

عن الإنتاج اليومي من التحليب للناقة فقد أوردت الدراسة الرقم 1.5 لترا من الحليب يوميا في المتوسط وأن الأسرة الواحدة تستهلك 2-5 لترات من حليب الإبل يوميا.

ولتفضيل الحليب الطازج و " القارص " أشار 69.2% من المنتجين والملاك أنهم يفضلون الحليب الطازج و 15.4% يفضلون " القارص " و 15.4% ليس لهم تفضيل محدد.

أما بالنسبة للمستهلكين فمنهم 20% يفضلون حليب الإبل الطازج و 36.7% يفضلون "القارص" و 43.3% لم يتذوقوا حليب الإبل من قبل. ولإستعمالات حليب الإبل كعلاج لبعض الأمراض أشار 33.3% من المستهلكين و 38.5% من المنتجين والملاك أنهم يستعملونه لعلاج أمراض الجهاز الهضمي وأشار 16.7% من المستهلكين و 30.2 % من المنتجين وإلملاك أنهم يستعملون حليب الإبل لعلاج مرض السكر.

وافاد 6.7% من المستهلكين و 7.7% من المنتجين و الملاك أنهم يستعملون حليب الإبل لعلاج الملاريا وأفاد 15.3% من الفئة الأخيرة أنهم يستعملونه لعلاج البرقان كما أفاد 7.7% منهم أنهم يستعملونه لعلاج سرطان الدم.

وأشَارتُ الدرٰاسة إلى أن أهم أمراض الإبل التي تؤثر سلبا على إنتاج الحليب كانت بالترتيب التنازلي مرض الجرب بنسبة 69.2% ثم الإسهالات الصيفية بنسبة 15.4% ثم مرض الجفار بنسبة 7.7% وجدري الإبل أيضا بنسبة 7.7%.

في مجال الإستثمار في إنتاج الإبل وضع 50% من المستبينين إنتاج اللحوم كمرتبة أولى ثم إنتاج اللحليب بنسبة 36.7% ثم 10% إبل سباق وأفاد 33.8% من عينة الدراسة أن تفضيل الإستثمار تأتي أهميته في إنتاج اللحم والحليب مجتمعين.