### Africa 70's fourtl newsletter

# Integrated & sustainable farming

These four months of activities have been very intense and full of achievements. Follow us through births, institutional recognitions and school visits.

## Highlights of the newslette

- Farming
- Milk production and distribution
- Poultry slaughterhouse
- School visit









FARMING

Between April and May, we carried out pregnancy checks on sheep and camels by means of clinical examination first and ultrasound confirmation later. **The use of the ultrasound machine was also a training opportunity for five Sahrawi doctors and veterinary technicians** who took part in a training course on animal reproduction management that included a practical part.

The results of the tests showed that **18 of the 19 female camels are pregnant** with expected births between November 23 and February 24.

Pregnancy in this species is 13 months and one has to be patient....

Among sheep of the 29 females, 16 were pregnant and, in July, 15 gave birth regularly; 1 will give birth in August. **We currently have 15 lambs!** 

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## **Milk production and distribution**

Throughout April and May, we continued to distribute milk to 200 elderly women in the wilaya of Bojador. Since the first of June, given the high temperatures that would endanger the preservation of the milk and the gradual physiological reduction in production, home distribution to the women was suspended and the milk was partly sold and partly distributed to the Ministry of Social Affairs.

In total from April to July we produced about **2,750 litres** of milk!

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## **Poultry slaughterhouse**

The new slaughter line was put into operation in April and the overall slaughter times we had set ourselves the target of reducing were evaluated: 6200 broilers were slaughtered in 9 days with an average of **689 animals per day.** 

Before our work to make the slaughter chain more efficient, a maximum of 280 chickens per day could be slaughtered!

In May, in the presence of the **Minister of Economic Development, Television and Media Luna Sahrawi,** we officially inaugurated the facility with a plaque outside.

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# **School visit**

At the beginning of May, we organised a guided tour of our project for a secondary school class. **Some 30 young pupils visited the facility,** stroked lambs and kids, watched the milking operations and had a snack in the cool shade under the palm trees of the ancient N'jeila garden adjacent to our production centre.

We conclude by thanking **Molini Popolari Riuniti** who donated work suits for our 6 workers in charge of br for our



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