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Problems as perceived by membes and non-members of dairy co-operative societies in Gadchiroli district of Vidarbha region

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Abstract : Studies on problem / constraints faced by dairy farmers revealed that the major problems faced by majority of dairy farmers were related to health, followed by monitory and lastly related to facilities. Problem of high incidence of repeated breeding was mentioned by 76 % and 90.7% of beneficiary and non-beneficiary farmers followed by high incidence of prolapsed of uterus 70% and 84.7% of beneficiary and non-beneficiary farmers. High cost of concentrates and high cost of dairy animal was expressed by 69.3% and 53.3% of beneficiary and 69.13% and 78% of non-beneficiary farmers. Irregularity in payments was mentioned by maximum non-beneficiary farmer (86.7%), whereas only 7.3% of beneficiary farmer mentioned irregularity in payments as constraints for them. The problem related to health and money are major in both beneficiary and non-beneficiary farmers where as untimely payments of bills is major problems for non-beneficiary and it is negligible problem for beneficiary farmer as co-operatives pay them regularly.

Key Words: Dairy co-operative, Beneficiary farmers, Non-beneficiary farmers

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