



# SUBJECT: AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

# GRADE 12

# AUTUMN CLASSSES

**TEACHER AND LEARNER CONTENT MANUAL** 

Topics

# **ANIMAL PROTECTION & CONTROL**

- 1. Animal Health
- 2. Animal Diseases
- 3. Parasites-Endo & Exoparasites
- 4. Plant & Salt, Urea poisoning

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### **ICON DESCRIPTION**





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### TABLE 1: AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES TERMINOLOGY.

IMPORTANT TERMS AND DEFINITIONS	
1. A device that measures body temperature	Thermometer
2. An abnormally high body temperature	Fever
3. Having a loose, watery stool during bowel movement	Diarrhea
4. Number of heartbeats in one minute	Pulse rate
5. Number of breaths in one minute	Respiratory rate
6. When one cuts open the carcass of dead animal to determine the cause of death	Post-moterm
7. When you examine animals for signs of disease	<b>Clinical examination</b>
8. The identification of a disease from the examination of symptoms.	Diagnosis
<ol><li>Disease that must by law be reported to authorities</li></ol>	Notifiable/proclaimed
10.Rapid spread of a disease more than it can be controlled	Outbreak
11.A disease outbreak that is consistently present and predictable in a particular area.	Endemic diseases
12.When a disease is prevalent or constantly present in a population and affects animals.	Enzootic diseases
13. Diseases that can be transmitted from animals to humans and from humans to animals	Zoonotic diseases
14.When a disease affects a large number of animals in a region or country.	Epidemic
15.When a disease has spread to other countries	Pandemic
16.Disease causing organisms such as virus, bacteria etc	Pathogens
17.Disease carrying organisms from infected to healthy animals	Vectors / Carriers
18.Very small single-celled microscopic organisms	<b>Bacteria and Protozoa</b>
19.Plant like organism that cause diseases to animals	Fungi
20.Device used to put a pill in an animal's mouth or throat	Dosing gun
21.Diseases that can be transmitted from one animal to another	Infectious diseases
22.Diseases that cannot be transmitted to other animals	Non-infectious diseas
23.Diseases caused by nutrient/mineral deficiencies in the body	Metabolic diseases
24.An organism that lives in OR on an organism of another species for its food.	Parasites
25.Are parasites that attack the body surface of animal	External parasites
26.Protein substances produced by white blood cells in response to specific foreign antigens	Antibodies
27.Chemical compounds used to kill bacterial and fungal infections	Antibiotics
28.Keeping animals in isolation for a fixed period of time	Quarantine
29.An ability to infect other animals	Contagious

# TOPIC 1: ANIMAL HEALTH

### ANIMAL HEALTH: EXAMINATION GUIDELINES

#### Animal health

- Describe the signs of poor health/sick animals (cattle, pigs, and chickens)
- □ Name and describe the methods of testing animal health.
- □ Various methods of administering medicine to animals (cattle, sheep, pigs, and chickens)
- Describe the sustainable use of medication.
- $\hfill\square$  Distinguish between infectious, non-infectious, and metabolic animal diseases.
- □ Identify and distinguish between the levels of seriousness of animal diseases (chronic, per-acute,

#### and acute)

#### Signs of poor health in animals

- 1. Fever
- 6.Lameness
- 2. Dull eyes
- 7.Listlessness
- Dull coat.
   Poor appetite
   Diarrhoea
- Poor appetite
   Rapid pulse rate

- Methods of testing animal health
  - 1. Check Temperature
  - 2. Check Pulse rate
  - 3. Check Respiratory rate

#### Methods of administering medicine to animals

- 1. Oral administration/Dosing (through the mouth)
  - ✓ Dosing gun (pills, powders)
  - ✓ Drenching gun (liquids)

#### 2. Topical administration (placed in the skin)

 $\checkmark$  Ointments, creams, lotion, powders

#### 3. Injection

- 4. Dipping
- √ intravenously (into veins)
- 5. Spraying
- $\checkmark$  Intramuscular (into a muscles)
- ✓ Subcutaneously (under skin)
- ✓ Intradermal (between layers of the skin)

#### Levels of seriousness

- 1. **In per-acute** animals may drop dead(sudden death) within a few hours without showing signs e.g. Anthrax
- 2. Acute symptoms develop rapidly but last for a short time (few days) e.g. FMD, RVF, Avian flu
- Chronic symptoms develops slowly over longer time(weeks to months), but fatal if it remains untreated.

*Chronic* diseases tend to be more severe as they progress.

*Chronic* conditions are often associated with noncommunicable diseases/ not notifiable. E.g. Mastitis

#### Sustainable use of medicine

- 1. Don't medicate too often
- 2. Finish full treatment
- 3. Correct dosage
- 4. Safe use and check expiry

# Infectious and non-infectious diseases

*Infectious diseases* – is transmittable from one animal to another.

(They are spread through the air, by direct contact, by contaminated dead carcasses or objects, by oral ingestion and transmitted by insects.

Zoonotic animal diseases include anthrax, rabies, ringworm and tuberculosis.)

*Non-infectious* diseases – cannot be transmitted to another animal.(Non-contagious).

**Metabolic diseases** are caused by disorders that disturb metabolic processes in the animal's body.e.g mineral deficiencies.



# **TOPIC 2: ANIMAL DISEASES**

#### Animal diseases

□ Indicate the main micro-organisms causing diseases in animals

□ Identify the most important diseases in South Africa based on the mode of transmission, animal host,

#### symptoms and control measures

#### Viral and bacterial diseases

□ Evaluate viral diseases, like foot and mouth disease (FMD), rabies, Rift Valley fever (RVF), avian/bird flu, swine fever/flu and Newcastle disease (NCD)

□ Explain bacterial diseases prescribed, such as anthrax, mastitis and tuberculosis (TB): transmission, host,symptoms and control measures

#### Protozoal and

#### fungal diseases

- □ Indicate protozoal diseases, like anaplasmosis, redwater, heartwater and coccidiosis
- Describe fungal diseases, like lumpy wool and ringworm
- □ Identify and explain the economic implications of these animal diseases
- Describe the preventative/control measures for animal diseases



- 1. Virus R, R, F, A, N, S- (Rabies, Rift Valley Fever, Foot and mouth disease, Avian/bird flu, Newcastle disease, Swine flu)
- 2. Bacteria A, T, M (Anthrax, Tuberculosis, Mastitis)
- 3. Protozoa 2 waters, 2 sis (Redwater, Heartwater, Anaplasmosis, Coccidiosis)
- **4.** Fungi L,R (Lumpy wool, Ringworm)













DISEASES	TRANSMISSION	ANIMALS	MAIN SYMPTOMS	CONTROL
(VIRAL)	MODE	AFFECTED		MEASURES
RABIES	Saliva through bite	<mark>Cattle</mark> , goat	<ul> <li>Aggression</li> </ul>	Vaccination, kill
		Sheep etc.	<ul> <li>Excessive salivation</li> </ul>	and dispose
<b>R</b> IFT VALLEY FEVER	Mosquito bites	<mark>Cattle</mark> , goat	<ul> <li>Blood-stained nasal</li> </ul>	Vaccination, kill
		Sheep etc.	discharge, Abortion	and dispose
FOOT AND MOUTH	Contaminated feed	<mark>Cattle</mark> , goat	<ul> <li>Blisters in mouth</li> </ul>	Vaccination, Cull
DISEASE	Secretions	Sheep etc.	<ul> <li>Sticky foamy salivation</li> </ul>	infected animals,
				Quarantine
AVIAN/BIRD FLU	Direct contact,	<mark>Chickens</mark> ,	<ul> <li>Swelling of comb</li> </ul>	Vaccination, kill
	inhalation, secretions	birds	<ul> <li>Ruffled feathers</li> </ul>	and dispose
NEWCASTLE	Direct contact,	Chickens,	<ul> <li>Respiratory distress</li> </ul>	Vaccination, kill
DISEASE	inhalation, secretions	birds	<ul> <li>Twisted necks</li> </ul>	and dispose
SWINE FLU	Direct contact,	Pigs -	Vomiting	Vaccination, kill
	inhalation,		<ul> <li>bleeding from the</li> </ul>	and dispose









# **BACTERIAL DISEASES**

DISEASES	TRANSMISSION	ANIMALS	MAIN SYMPTOMS	CONTROL
(BACTERIAL)	MODE	AFFECTED		MEASURES
ANTHRAX	Spores, biting flies,	<mark>Cattle</mark> , goat ₄	Bloody discharge	Vaccination, kill
	Contaminated feed	Sheep etc.	from nose, mouth,	and dispose (bury
			rectum	or burn carcass)
			Swelling of neck and	
			throat	
TUBERTUTOSIS (TB)	Inhalation,	<mark>Cattle</mark> , goat ₄	Soft, chronic coughs	Vaccination, kill
	secretions	Sheep etc. 🛛	Increased breathing	and dispose
			rate	
MASTITIS	transferred by the	<mark>Dairy</mark> 🛛	Udder is hot, swollen	Treat teats with
	hands of the milker,	<mark>Cattle</mark> , goat	and painful	germicide
	by milking machines	Sheep etc. 🔸	Milk is thick flaky &	Apply antibiotics.
	and by flies,		may contain clots	Clean and sanitise

# **PROTOZOAL DISEASES**

DISEASES (PROTOZOAL)	TRANSMISSION MODE	ANIMALS AFFECTED	MAIN SYMPTOMS	CONTROL MEASURES
REDWATER	One-host blue tick -BLUE TICK	<mark>Cattle</mark> only	<ul> <li>Urine is dark red or brown</li> </ul>	Inject with Berenil Control ticks. Dip and vaccinate
HEARTWATER	three- host ticks - BONT TICK	<mark>Cattle</mark> , goat Sheep etc.	<ul> <li>Respiratory distress</li> <li>Unco-ordinated . Movements (high" stepping)</li> </ul>	Inject with tetracycline Control ticks. Dip and vaccinate
ANAPLASMOSIS	Ticks and biting flies	<mark>Cattle</mark> , goat Sheep etc.	<ul> <li>Anaemia -Yellow and pale mucous membrane</li> </ul>	Broadspectrum antibiotics. Control ticks, Dip and vaccinate
COCCIDIOSIS	Ticks and biting flies	<mark>Cattle</mark> , goat Sheep, <mark>poultry</mark> etc.	<ul> <li>diarrhoea containing blood</li> </ul>	Administer anticoccidial drugs Sanitation

# **FUNGAL DISEASES**

Lumpy Wool in Sheep: 6 Gauses and Their Treatment



DISEASES (FUNGAL)	TRANSMISSION MODE	ANIMALS AFFECTED	MAIN SYMPTOMS	CONTROL MEASURES
LUMPY WOOL	Direct contact shearing equipment	<mark>Sheep</mark> ,goats	Lumps and scabs on the fleece	Jet and <b>dip with zinc</b> sulphate. Treat with antibiotics Biological defieecing
RINGWORM	Direct contact	<mark>Cattle</mark> , goat Sheep, pigs etc.	Hair loss <b>circular bare</b> <b>patch</b> Area of <b>small crusts</b> <b>and scales on the skin</b>	apply a <b>mixture of</b> iodine and glycerine PLUNGE DIP

### ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS OF ANIMAL DISEASES

FOR COUNTRY	FOR FARMER	FOR WORKERS	FOR BUYERS
Loss of production	Loss of production		Shortage of products
Loss of income/GDP	Loss of income/Profit	Price increases	Price increases
Loss of international trade			
(Export and import bans)			
Cost of producing / buying a	Vaccination costs		
vaccine			
Cost of quarantine			
Veterinary services costs	Veterinary services		
	costs		
Cost of Research			
Unemployment increases		Loss of jobs	
Publication costs/ making			
public aware			

PREVENTION MEASURES OF ANIMAL DISEASES	CONTROL MEASURES OF ANIMAL DISEASES
Vaccination /Immunisation	Treat bacterial and protozoal with antibiotics
Sanitation and good hygiene	Cull infected animals and burn or bury bodies
Quarantine and test imports	Quarantine infected animals

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(20 Marks; 20 Minutes)



1.1 Define the term:

1.1.1	Notifiable diseases	(2)
1.1.2	Respiratory rate	(2)
1.1.3	Zoonotic	(2)
1.1.4	Enzootic	(2)
1.1.5	Endemic	(2)

- 1.2 Various options are provided as possible answers to the following questions. Choose the answer and write only the letter (A–D) next to the question numbers (1.1 to 1.5) in the ANSWER BOOK, e.g. 1.6 E.
  - 1.2.1 Before giving any treatment, the following precautions must be taken.
    - A Check the date of manufacturing the medicine
    - B The number of animals
    - C Correct treatment, dosage and period
    - D Medicine doesn't taste well

(2)

- 1.2.2 Preventing diseases by vaccination involves...
  - A medicating against parasites
  - B monitorling the disease
  - C giving animals more water to drink
  - D providing a weakened pathogen to stimulate the body to build (2) antibodies.

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1.2.3	Which ( is airbo	ONE of the following viral disea	se is mainly transmitted by inhalation or	
	A.	Rabies		
	В.	Anthrax		
	C.	Rift valley fever		
	D. \$	Swine flu.	(2)	
1.2.	4 An e	xample of an enzootic disease	s include the following:	
	А	Rabies		
	В	Anthrax		
	С	Newcastle disease		
	D	Tubertulosis (TB)		(2)
1.2.	5 Con	sider the zoonotic diseases bel	ow that are notifiable.	
	(i) (ii) (iii)	Anthrax Avian flu Foot and mouth disease		
	(iv)	Newcastle disease		
	A	(i), (ii) and (iii)	OOSE THE CORRECT COMBINATION	
	В	(ii), (iii) and (iv)		
	С	(i), (ii) and (iv)		
	D	(ii), (iii) and (iv)		(2)
1.2.	6 Whic	h of the statements below is m	ost correct about Rift valley fever.	
	А	Outbreaks of RVF in humans	precede animal cases	
	В	To control the spread of RVF	involve protection against fly bites	
	С	Outbreaks of RVF in animals	precede human cases	
	D	The is no risk of animal-to-hu	man transmission.	(2)
			(22 marks)	

#### **ACTIVITY 2**



2.1 The normal heartbeat and respiratory rates for pigs vary depending on the age of the pig. Below is a list of the rates for various ages:

PIG AGE	NORMAL RESPIRATORY RATE (bpm) - BREATHS PER MINUTE)	NORMAL PULSE RATE (HEART BEATS PER MINUTE) (bpm)
Newborn	60	250
Weaned pig	40	100
Growing pig	40	90
Finishing pig	35	80
Adult pigs	18	80

2.1.1 Draw a line graph to indicate the normal pulse rate and respiratory rate for pigs at various ages.

(6)

- 2.1.2 Suggest the respiratory and the pulse rate of a sick adult pig respectively. (2)
- 2.2 The table below represents the vaccination plan that a farmer uses to prevent acute animal diseases on a farm.

DISEASE	PATHOGEN INVOLVED	MAJOR SYMPTOM OF THE DISEASE	FARM ANIMALS IMMUNISED	CONTROL MEASURE
A	Bacteria	Swelling of neck, causing respiratory distress and bloody discharge from the nose, mouth and rectum	В	Vaccinate, kill infected animals and dispose of their carcass
С	D	Dark red urine	Е	F
Foot-and- mouth disease	Virus	G	Cattle, sheep and goats	Н
Rift Valley fever	I	High fever, blood- stained nasal discharge and abortions	Cattle, sheep and goats	J

2.	2.1	Complete the table above. Write only the answer next to the letter (A–J) in the ANSWER BOOK.	(10)
2.	2.2	Name the vectors for (a) redwater and(b) rift valley fever.	(2)
2.	2.3	Indicate the mode of transmission of Disease A to humans	(2)

(20 marks)

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	ACTIV	ITY 3. (20 Marks; 25 Minutes)	
3.1	The De outbrea animals areas a	partment of Agriculture reported several foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) iks in different areas of South Africa. This led to a ban on the export of and their products. Veterinarians were then deployed to the affected and infected animals were separated from non-infected animals.	
	3.1.1	Indicate the pathogen that causes the disease in the scenario above.	(1)
	3.1.2	Give TWO main symptoms of foot-and-mouth disease in farm animals.	(2)
	3.1.3	Deduce how foot and mouth disease could cause mastitis in dairy cows.	(1)
	3.1.4	Identify, in the scenario above, TWO roles of the state regarding animal disease control.	(2)
	3.1.5	Suggest ONE word (term) for the last statement in the scenario above.	(1)
	3.1.6	Indicate the mode of transmission of foot and mouth disease (FMD) to animals and humans.	(2)
	3.1.7	State TWO economic impacts of foot-and-mouth disease on South. Africa.	(2)
3.2	Swine highly o enzooti caused contact many r affected	flu, anthrax, foot-and-mouth disease, tuberculosis and rabies are all contagious and pandemic diseases. Some are zoonotic while others are ic. Most of these diseases are notifiable diseases. The diseases are by different pathogens which could be transmitted by either direct or inhaling infected air. Some can remain infectious for weeks or even months. People can also be infected by eating animal products from d animals.	
	3.2.1	Classify the <b>first two</b> diseases in the scenario above according to the pathogens that cause them.	(2)
	3.2.2	Explain the meaning of zoonotic diseases.	(2)
	3.2.3	Differentiate between endemic and enzootic diseases	(4)
	3.2.3	Identify TWO diseases in the scenario that could be transmitted by BO the direct contact and inhaling infected air.	TH (2)
	3.2.3	Explain why swine flu is regarded as enzootic?	(1)
	3.2.4	Give TWO roles of the state in controlling the spread of notifiable diseases such as anthrax, swine flu to other countries.	(2)
	3.2.3	State TWO economic impacts of animal diseases regarding giving treatment and medication to sick animals. (26 marks	(2) 3)



#### ACTIVITY 4.

### (20 Marks; 25 Minutes)

4.1 The table below shows symptoms of different diseases in farm animals.

		ANIMAL 1	ANIMAL 2	ANIMAL 3	ANIMAL 4
MAIN SYMPTO	oms	Blood-stained nasal discharge and abortion or death of young	Bloody discharge from the mouth, nose, and rectum	Skin surface and fleece contains scabs or a crust	Urine is dark red or brown
4.1.1	lder	tify the diseases a	ffecting animals <b>1</b> , 2	2, 3 and 4 respecti	vely. (4)
4.1.2	lder	ntify the animal suff	ering from a deadly	v bacterial disease.	(1)
4.1.3	Nan	ne a pathogen that	causes the disease	e in animal <b>3</b> .	(1)
4.1.4	Classify the vector for the disease in animal 4.			(1)	
4.1.5	State THREE precautionary measure a farmer can take to prevent the spread of the disease in animal <b>3</b> .			prevent (3)	
4.1.6	Con (PLI	npare the diseases EASE TABULATE)	that affect animals	a 1 and 2 in terms of	of:
	`	, Dathogon that caus	os the disease		(2)
	а. г ь і				(2)
	D. L		S		(2)
	С. Г	Mode of transmissi	on		(2)
	d. /	Animal hosts.			(2)
	e. (	Control measure.			
				TOTAL M	ARKS : <b>(20)</b>

#### **ACTIVITY 5**

#### (20 Marks; 25 Minutes)



5.1. STUDY THE PICTURES BELOW AND ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

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#### ACTIVITY 6.

#### (33 Marks; 35 Minutes)

6.1 The pig in the picture below appears to be very sick. Study the picture to answer the questions that follow.



- 6.1.1. List any THRE signs of poor health visible in the pig picture above. (3)
- 6.1.2. Taking temperature, pulse **rate**, and respiration readings can help you to gauge an animal's overall health. Name the device used to check temperature. (1)
- 6.1.3. Comment on the temperature and the respiratory rate of the pig in the above picture. (2)
- 6.1.4. Give a short description of how you would go about checking the temperature and the pulse rate of the pig. (4)
- 6.1.5 The pig above may be suffering from a pathogenic disease or from a metabolic disease. Differentiate between these two types of diseases. (4)
- 6.1.6. Give TWO examples of each disease type in Question 6.1.5. (4).



6.1.7. Indicate TWO ways to ensure that pig medication is sustainable.

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#### ACTIVITY 7

(33 Marks; 35 Minutes)



The flow chart below shows the different farm animal diseases.



- 7.1.1 Identify the pathogen responsible for diseases **A** and **B**. (2)
- 7.1.2 Indicate the transmission mode of the virus for disease **D**. (1)
- 7.1.3 Name the vector that carries viral disease **E** during hot, wet seasons. (1)
- 7.1.4 Advise the farmer on a preventative measure for the occurrence of disease **E**. (1)
- 7.1.5 Suggest TWO measures the state can take to control the spread of disease **C**, once detected. (2)

# TOPIC 3: PARASITES

#### PARASITES: EXAMINATION GUIDELINES

- Internal parasites/Endoparasites
- □ Define the term internal parasite
- □ Identify and describe the main groups of internal parasites, like tapeworms, liver fluke and roundworms
- Describe the life cycles, animal hosts, symptoms and treatment of tapeworms, liver fluke and roundworms.
- Explain the financial implications and detrimental effects of internal parasites
- Describe the basic preventative/control measures of internal parasites
- External parasites/Ectoparasites
- Define the term external parasite
- Distinguish between ticks, nasal worm, blowflies, lice and mites as examples of external parasites
- Identify and describe the life cycles of ticks (single/two/three host ticks), nasal worm (sheep) and blowflies, lice and mites (sheep). ????
- Explain the financial implications and detrimental effects of external parasites
- Describe the basic preventative/control measures of external parasites

### **IMPORTANT TERMS AND DEFINITIONS**



Animal Pests	Organisms that live on or outside the host organism and share the same environment with the host	
External parasites	are parasites that attack the body tissues such as blood, skin and hair of animal.	
Internal Parasites	are parasites that live inside the host and rob it of its food and blood .	
Biological control	is defined as 'any activity of one species that reduces the adverse effect of another	

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#### **CLASSIFICATION OF PARASITES OF LIVESTOCK**

There are two main types of parasites affecting livestock. These are:

- 1 External /Ecto-Parasites
- 2 Internal /Endo-Parasite

#### Internal Parasite.

It is an organism that lives inside a host organism and derives it nutrient form the host

Main groups of internal parasites.

- 1 Tapeworms/cestodes
- 2 Liver fluke/Fasciola
- 3 Roundworms/

#### Tape Worm

Description : This is a long, narrow, and flat organism that lives in intestines of hosts organisms.





#### Liver fluke/Fasciola hepatica

Description: These are flat leaf-like flukes that live in the bile ducts in the host organism.





Roundworms/threadworm/Ascaris



These are small, white thread-like and live in the gut/alimentary canal and lungs of hosts.

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Name of	Life cycle	Animal	symptoms	treatment
Tape worm	Eggs Larvae Nymphs	Cattle, sheep and goats	Potbelly Stunted growth and reduced weight diarrhea	Dose animals with anthelhelmintics (dewormers
Liverfluke	Cattle, sheep and goats (eggs in faeces) Eggs hatch in water Larvae in snail Young flukes attach to grass. Cattle eat grass with fluke Adult fluke in liver of cattle	Cattle sheep and goats	Immature liverflukes causes liver damage. Adult liverflkues cause anaemia and bottle jaw.	Destroy snail and slugs with chemicals. Deworm animals through injections, drenches and pour- ons
Roundworms	Eggs in faeces Embryo in faeces Larvae on grass Adult roundworm in sheep	Cattle, sheep and goats	Anaemia. Death through toxin secretion which weakens animals	Dose with broad- spectrum anthelhelmintics

Financial implications	Detrimental effects of internal parasites		
<ul> <li>Reduced farmer income/profits which</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>liver fluke causes liver damage</li> </ul>		
impacts negatively on farm labourers			
<ul> <li>Stock losses due to death</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>feed on blood and cause anaemia</li> </ul>		
Loss of production	Toxins lead to black disease		
<ul> <li>High treatment/medicine</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Infested animals can get wasting</li> </ul>		
	disease, oedema (bottle jaw)		
Labour costs will increase at times of	•		
livestock treatment			
veterinary costs.	•		

Preventative measures	Chemical Control measures	<b>Biological control measures</b>
Provide balanced	Dose animals with the	Dung beetles are helpful in
nutrition to animals.	appropriate treatments/medicine	removing manure
Give animals clean	Chemical medicines and	Introduce natural enemies
drinking water.	remedies, such as anthelmintics,	such as birds
Provide good hygiene	Deworming drugs	The use of micro fungi
Practice rotational	destroying the intermediate hosts	nematophagous mites and
grazing to break the life	(snails and slugs) by using	predacious nematodes
cycle of parasites	flukicides	
Breeding of animals that		earthworms feed on animal
are resistant to parasite		faeces and contribute to the
infestations		breakdown of faecal pats
Wet pastures must be		
avoided to prevent the		
snail hosts		
Resting of infested		
pastures		

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#### **EXTERNAL PARASITES**

These are parasites that live on the skin of host organisms and feed on their blood.

These include Ticks, Mites, Lice, Nasal Worm and Blowflies.

(Mi Ti Li Nas Blo).

(Meat Li nice bro)

#### 1.Ticks

Suck blood and transmit diseases.



Ticks have eight legs and live on the skin of host organisms. They suck blood from the host and transmit diseases from an infested animal to previously uninfected animal.





Life cycle of a single host tick **Blue tick** 



#### Life cycles of ticks (simplified)

ELNA(Eggs, Larvae, Nymph, Adult)

One-host ticks (Blue tick)	two-host ticks (Red-legged tick)	three-host ticks (Bont tick)
Eggs	Eggs	Eggs in winter
Larvae	Eggs hatch to six-legged larvae	Larvae in first host
Nymphs Adults	Larvae moults to nymph on first host	Larvae moults to nymph on second host
	Nymph moults into adult and attach to second host for feeding and mating	Nymph moults in adult and leave second host Adult attach to third host for feeding and mating

#### Mites



Mites are very small and cause various diseases and problems.

#### Damage caused.

These are groups of insect-like organism which bite or cause skin irritations to their host organisms. They live on their hots for their entire life and infect the heads, body or tail area of their victims.

- Animals become restless.
- Loss of appetite

#### Lice

Lice live and multiply on the same host..



Lice are flat in structure and cause irritation and rubbing to cattle. There are **two** types which are : biting and chewing mouth parts



#### Damage caused.

- Skin irritations
- Inflammation
- Loss of appetite(anorexia)

#### Nasal worm



These are larvae of sheep bot fly. They only affect sheep and goats but not cattle.

#### Damage caused.

Fly lays the larvae around the nostrils during summer months.

- They cause irritation and infection.
- The maggot/larvae then enter the nasal cavity and feed causing severe thick yellowish discharge.
- Animal loses condition.

# **Blowflies**



Blowfly strike mainly affect sheep which lay their egg on living sheep. They prefer warm and humid conditions. They prefer to attack the withers, flank and tail part of the sheep.

Financial Implications	Detrimental effects of External parasites
Death of animals	Skin damage
Loss of income/profit	Stress, restlessness and lack of appetite
Chemical control is expensive.	Painful bite wounds
Loss of production.	Open sores cause diseases
•	<ul> <li>loss of teats, ears and the tips of tails, and cause abscesses and lameness</li> </ul>
Both quality and quantity of wool is reduced	• Anaemia, as a result of the large volume of blood sucked .
cost of expensive equipment	Death due to large numbers of ticks.
•	Irritation to animal
•	External parasites can also act as vectors

Preventive and control measures for	Chemical control	Biological control
external parasites		
Use Integrated Pest Management	Use of insecticides as dusts,	Introduce natural rnemies
(IPM) approach.	pour-ons	such as birds
Rest contaminated pastures.	Dose with chemicals	
Vaccinate cattle against tick-borne	Apply chemical around the	Using insect growth regulators
diseases	infested areas	break the life cycle of the blowfly .
Practice good hygiene.	Inject chemicals such as	Keep poultry near water holes and
	ivomec & ivermectin	animal shelters to eat the ticks
Tail docking	The chemicals that are used to	
	treat cattle against ticks are	
	called acaricides	
. Trapping of blowflies		



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#### ACTIVITY 8.

#### (20 marks 25 minutes)

**8.1** The pictures below show parasites affecting farm animals.



- 8.1.1 Classify parasite **A and B and C** according to their life cycles.(3)
- 8.1.2 Name the protozoan disease that is transmitted by the parasite in QUESTION 8.1.1
- 8.1.3 Write down the letter of the parasite to which EACH of the statements below applies:
  - (a) Its infestation can be controlled by destroying the snail. (1)
  - (b) It can cause bloated bellies in young animals. (1)
- 8.2 The diagrams below illustrate the life cycle of two different parasites.



- 8.2.1 Classify the parasite in **B**.
- 8.2.2 Name the parasites that are represented in **A** and **B**.
- 8.2.3 State TWO biological measures that can be used to control the parasite **B**. (2)
- 8.3 Differentiate between the following pairs of terms:
  - (a) Internal and external parasite

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8.4 The figure below indicates the seasonal trends in the occurrence of parasites that vary with regard to season and management.



8.4.1 Name the season with the highest parasite pressure (infestation).(1)8.4.2 Give a reason for the high parasite pressure (infestation) during the season<br/>mentioned in QUESTION 8.4.1 above(1)8.4.3 State TWO good herd management practices that may lead to less parasite<br/>pressure (infestation).(2)8.4.4 Suggest a way of diagnosing parasite infestations.(1)8.4.5 State TWO economic impacts of internal parasites.(2)20 marks



#### ACTIVITY 9

#### (Marks 20 Time 25 minutes)

#### 9.1 The passage below deals with the infestation of bont ticks in livestock.

#### THE TICK CHALLENGE IN LIVESTOCK

Ticks play an important role as transmitters of diseases in animals, the type of which depends on the species of tick in question. Diseases such as redwater, gall sickness and heartwater are all acquired via tick bite and subsequent injection of the parasite that enters the bloodstream and causes the disease in the host animal. Production losses occur as a result of such tick-borne diseases by way of underperformance or even death of the infected animals.

Ticks with long mouth parts often create an opening in the skin of an animal that allows for the introduction of bacteria to deeper layers beneath the skin. This results in a loss of tail tips or ear lobes in cattle. In the eastern coastal regions of Southern Africa, the bont tick challenge has led to a loss of teat function in cows as a result of mastitis and abscesses in the udder.

[Source: Farming SA, September 2011]

9.1.1	Give TWO reasons why ticks are the most economically significant parasites in livestock farming by referring to the passage.	(2)
9.1.2	Classify the bont tick according to its life cycle and give a reason to support your answer.	(1)
9.1.3	Give a possible reason for a serious bont tick outbreak in the coastal region.	(2)
9.1.4	Many fly species are also external parasites that bite and suck blood from their host. Name a fly species that attacks open wounds and tick bites in wool sheep breeds.	(1)
9.1.5	Name TWO biological methods of controlling ticks.	(2)

- 9.2 Mites are closely related to ticks but are much smaller and most cannot be seen by the naked eye. Mites are found on less hairy parts on the bodies of cattle, sheep, goats, pigs and horses.
  - 9.2.1 Give a reason from the above extract to proof that mites are (1) external parasites.
  - 9.2.2 Identify TWO non-ruminants in the extract that are affected by (2) mites.
  - 9.2.3 Mites cause a proclaimed disease called mange. Explain a (3) characteristic of this disease and name TWO responsibilities of the state in this regard.
  - 9.3.1 Identify the following livestock parasites and indicate one type of damage caused by EACH one of them.





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9.3.2 Briefly describe how a sheep farmer can control infestation by parasite in (a) above.

(2)

20 marks

### **TOPIC 4: PLANT AND METALLIC SALT POISONING**

### Plant and metallic salt poisoning: EXAMINATION GUIDELINES

Plant and metallic salt poisoning

□ Identify and describe the maize fungus, poison bulb, thorn apple as examples of plant poisoning

- $\hfill\square$  Discuss the treatment of animals suffering from plant poisoning
- □ Describe the preventative/control measures of plant poisoning
- □ Identify and describe common salt and urea poisoning (the symptoms and treatment)
- □ Indicate the preventative/control measures of salt poisoning
- □ Describe the basic principles of good health to control animal diseases and parasites/pests
- □ Indicate the role of the state in animal protection

### IMPORTANT TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

Aflatoxin	is a mould that is produced by maize fungus and is carcinogenic.
Alkalosis	excessive blood alkalinity that is caused by high levels of bicarbonate in the blood
Carcinogen	is any substance that promotes the formation of cancer.
toxicity	level of being poisonous or toxic

#### Poisonous plants

There are several examples of poisonous plants to life stock. Examples are maize fungus, poison bulb, thorn apple. Some others are: "tulp", senecioscis, lantana and "gif

Source of plant poison	Description
Maize fungus	A toxic disease resulting from eating damp maize by livestock.
Poison bulb	This affects cattle that graze heavily on infested grazing land. Cattle are mainly infected when they graze on fresh leaves of poison bulb.



#### Treatment of animals suffering from plant poisoning.

- Animals should be prevented from ingesting any more poisonous plants.
- Move animals to a clean camp.
- Do not give animals drinking water for up to two days.
- Chemical treatment with sodium permanganate followed by large doses of laxatives.
- Use activated charcoal in some cases.

#### Preventive and control measures of plant poisoning

- Keep animals in good condition during the dry season.
- Camp off areas containing poisonous plants.
- Avoid overgrazing pastures.
- Farmer must know poisonous plants in the area and keep animals away from them.

#### Metallic salt poisoning

Type of metallic poisoning	Symptoms	Treatment, Prevention, and control
Common salt Solution of the essential nutrients needed by all animals but seriously lacking in grazing pastures. It is supplemented mainly as mineral licks to cattle	<ul> <li>Acute sensitivity to touch</li> <li>Excessive salivation</li> <li>Constipation</li> <li>Animal becomes thirsty.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Treatment</li> <li>Remove source of salt poisoning immediately</li> <li>Provide small quantities of fresh water at short intervals.</li> <li>Treat small animals with hypertonic dextrose solution</li> <li>Prevention and control</li> <li>Camp off areas having poisonous plants.</li> </ul>

Urea Urea Urea is supplemented as non-protein nitrogen (NPN) in feed supplements to mainly ruminants. Excessive	<ul> <li>Animals secrete saliva excessively.</li> <li>Lack of balance/stagger and may die a few hours later.</li> <li>Animals may bloat.</li> <li>Painful muscular cramps(tetany)</li> <li>Weakness and frequent urination</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Practice rotational grazing</li> <li>Provide balance nutrition</li> <li>Remove poisonous plants from pastures</li> <li>Treatment Give vinegar to animals to neutralize the alkalosis. In severe cases, use stomach tube to administer the medication.</li> <li>Prevention and control         <ul> <li>Urea supplemented should not exceed 1% of total ration</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Urea is supplemented as non-protein nitrogen (NPN) in feed supplements to mainly ruminants. Excessive amounts in feed can poison animals.	frequent urination	supplemented should not exceed 1% of total ration. • Avoid feeding wet urea to cattle.
		<ul> <li>Give animals access to enough clean drinking water</li> </ul>



#### **ACTIVITY 10**

#### 10.1.1 Define the following terms.

(a) Aflatoxin	(2)
(b) Toxicity	(2)

# 10.2 Salts can be toxic to farm animals. Precautions should be taken to minimise the risk of salt poisoning.

#### 10.2.1 Give TWO symptoms of salt poisoning in farm animals. (2)

10.2.2 State TWO ways in which a farmer can treat an animal with salt poisoning (2)
 10.3 Identify the control measures a farmer may take to prevent plant poisoning in EACH of the following situations:

### 10.3.1 Animals graze after being transported for a long distance (1)

#### 10.3.2 Animals feed on hay kept in stables

#### 10.3.3 Overgrazed or overstocked camp

- 10.4 Farmers need to be aware of plants that pose a danger to livestock because they are poisonous.
  - 10.4.1 Name FOUR plants that are normally found on natural pastures (4) and could be poisonous to animals.
  - 10.4.2 Indicate THREE measures the farmer can take to prevent plant (3) poisoning.

10.4.5 Identify TWO key roles played by the state in animal disease protection (2)

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