

# Review of: "Economics of Cattle Fattening - A Case of Bangladesh"

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It is a very interesting topic to read and you gathered a lot of data and nice insights. Some comments for further improvements:

1. Do you have more updated sources to use? Most sources are 10-20 years old. Besides the data referred to is quite old, like cattle population from FAO 2010.
2. Improvements of the English language are needed. Some sentences are difficult to read and some words used are incorrect.
3. Introduction: Keeping this occasion in....results in high margin. Not only bull fattening right? Also cows are fattened and sacrificed. And where do the poor people get their start capital from to purchase the cattle to fatten 3-4 months/year? When producing year-round you can produce your own calves, but this is not possible when you only fatten cattle for 3-4 months.
4. The section about review of literature is long and not of added value in its currently described way. What is the main message you want your audience to understand? I am interested in an overview of the results or lessons learned from the literature, based on your report aim.
5. Why is the topic of your research important? What does your research add to the currently available research, such as Kadigi et al. 2023, Baset et al. 2003, Kok et al. 2023?
6. What method did you use to select the interviewed farmers? How did you find them in the selected Upazila's?
7. The conclusion from a results is not always related, or the relation is missing. E.g. in the case of .... Start the fattening business.. In my opinion the sentence 'thus, farmers required knowledge of cattle fattening if they are willing to start the fattening business' is not related to the sentence that not everyone had proper knowledge of feed processing. Apparently even without this knowledge they still do cattle fattening. This connection is lacking more often.
8. Furthermore, sometimes a result is presented, e.g. about female participating, but it is not connected with any other finding. Is this preferable? Does it increase profitability? Later on the factors affecting profitability are shown. However, I miss the further explanation as discussion point. E.g. how is farm size related, and why are other indicators not related?
9. You make the statement that it is best for farmers directly sell to consumers. Where is this statement coming from? What data underpins this statement? Transport, quality control, etc. need to be paid for and be arranged. Middlemen do have a function.

