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ANIMAL FRIENDLY MOBILE ABATTOIRS

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Abstract

Mobile slaughterhouse. The operational principle of the Mobile slaughtering unit is different from the traditional concept where the animals are transported from the farm to another site to be slaughtered, whereas the Mobile unit is taken to the farm where there are animals to be slaughtered.

The Mobile slaughtering unit is most efficient and productive if there is “a ring of slaughtering” with 5 - 6 member farms; the unit stops at these farms to take care of the animals. Other farmers in the area who are not members of the group can bring their animals to be slaughtered to the closest farm where the unit to work.

Advantages of the Mobile slaughtering unit:

- Small investment for one farm
- Small team of qualified employees can handle the slaughtering of several farms
- Improvement in animal wellbeing - no more long transportation of animals in vehicles with little space
- Improved meat quality - animals suffer no stress
- Advances the principle of local food production
- Advances economic activities in the country - uses local work force

Capacity of the slaughtering unit:

- Sheep / goat: up 70 animals / shift
- Pigs: 30 – 50 pigs / shift
- Cattle up to 10 cattle / shift (live weight 600 kg)