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Constraints faced by livestock farmers in rearing Kherigarh, an indigenous cattle breed of UP

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Draught animal power has to play a significant role in Indian agriculture due to small land holding among the farmers. In that view the present investigation was carried out to analyze the constraints faced by livestock farmers in rearing Kherigarh, an indigenous draught breed of cattle. A total of 120 livestock farmers having at least two animals of this breed with minimum one year of rearing experience were studied. A three-point frequency continuum was used for the measurement of response of livestock farmers on technological, economic and managemental constraints faced by them. The responses of the individual farmer on each constraint were taken as 'Very serious', 'Serious' and 'Not serious'. The technological constraints faced by livestock farmers indicates that lack of modern bullock driven agricultural implements was a very serious constraint perceived by the livestock farmers followed by lack of training facility by government and lack of knowledge of disease prevention and control. Economic constraints faced by farmers were as the high wages of worker was the very serious constraint followed by, no access to credit facility, high cost of treatment, poor economic condition and high cost of feeding. In managemental constraints faced by livestock farmers, lack of man power was a very serious constraint followed by limited use throughout the year and lack of adequate feed for proper feeding of animals. It is recommended that government should make an effort to overcome that constraints by provide facilities to livestock farmers rearing Kherigarh breed and make the availability of quality breeding bull and semen of this breed in their home tract for enhancing the conservation of this valuable breed.

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