

Stock Raising Education in Turkey from Village Institutes Till Date¹

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ABSTRACT In this study, training programs of Village Institutes in Turkey were examined in terms of animal husbandry. It was reported that about 80 percent of Turkey's population lived in the rural areas in the 1930s, animal husbandry production thrived in the harsh conditions of the period as well as in other areas. An increase in productivity and self-sufficiency in rural areas, through the educational system of the Village Institutes was a great contribution in creating awareness and in the dissemination of agriculture and husbandry. Based on the fact that 25 percent of the Institutes' courses consist of practical agriculture and animal husbandry, learning by applying may be considered to be an important factor in productivity. As a result, the education system of the Village Institutes, involving a conscious cultivation, was founded in the year 1940, which is important in terms of gains and it must be said that, present practice in the education system should be productive and practical.