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## CP Foods pledges to improve antibiotic-free meat products

CP Foods is moving toward a sustainable food system by emphasising animal welfare principle and responsible use of antibiotics throughout food value chains by applying of cutting-edge technology and innovation. The company aims to improve animal health in order to reduce the antibiotics resistance in food products, paving the way for a more sustainable food system.

The company uses antimicrobials and antibiotics with care and consideration for all factors, including food safety, antimicrobial resistance, antimicrobial residues, animal welfare, sustainability, and consumer preferences.

The company ensures the safety of its products by conducting in-house and third-party inspections throughout the production process and trace back to their origins. CP Foods has employed blockchain technology to improve the integrity of a massive quantity of data. The innovative method promotes the transparency of antibiotic resistance gene assessment on farms. (Source: CP Foods, August 25<sup>th</sup> 2023)

## Thailand SRA has warned for illegal pork imports

The Thai Swine Raisers Association (SRA) has warned for the consequences of smuggling illegal amounts of pig products into the Asian country.



The association shared a press release stating that illegal amounts have been flowing into Thailand since 2022, the government was not able to help farmers in the country. In Thai business media, it was reported that talks have been carried out with a representative of Brazil about these illegal imports. Pork with German and Argentinian origin are also said to have been discovered..

Dr Kiattiphum Prueksawan, secretary-general of the SRA, said that the government has not yet allowed imports because Thailand has just recovered from the African Swine Fever (ASF) outbreak in 2021 and has increased pig production to meet domestic consumption.

In a panel discussion organized by the Animal Husbandry Association of Thailand (AHAT), Dr Kiattiphum said the smuggling of pork from abroad is still continuing. The panel discussion addressed the fact that the problem has not yet been resolved by the Thai government, even though some cases are currently under investigation by the Department of Special Investigation.

Dr Kiattiphum called on exporting countries not to accept





## Thai broiler raisers warned on production expansion

Thai broiler farmers should avoid raising production because of declining demand from overseas markets.

"We see lower purchasing power in Japan and EU markets. Thailand exports 30% of its broiler production and the industry fluctuates with global demand," explained Kukrit Areepakorn, Manager of the Thai Broiler Processing Exporters Association.

According to the Department of Internal Trade, live broiler prices hovered around USD 1.1-1.2/kg, down 5.5% YoY in August. This was influenced by lower demand in local and export markets and higher supply because farmers increased production to leverage higher prices.

Poultry meat export was 252,673 tonnes during the first 6 months in 2023, with a value of USD 670 million. During the same period, poultry meat import was 237 tonnes (Source: Asian Agribiz Poultry News and Trademap, August 22 2023)

orders from importers who are not authorised by Thailand, but instead to communicate about the problem.

At the same time, the Swine Raisers Association of Thailand will consult with the Department of Livestock Development in Thailand (the Thai ministry of agriculture) to send an official letter to inform international government agencies to prevent this illegal influx into the Thai market immediately. (Source: SAR and AHAT, August 126<sup>th</sup> 2023)

## DLD aims to increase the efficiency of dairy cow production of farmers



Mr. Praphas Phinyochep, Deputy Director-General of The Department of Livestock Development (DLD) talked about ways to increase the efficiency

of dairy cow production of farmers on the Channel 22's Base Talk program

DLD has set up an action plan and drives work and plays a role in the development of the entire dairy industry, which involves factors affecting the production of dairy cows in 5 main areas: animal breeding; animal feed farm management to increase efficiency animal health dairy farm standards from upstream in providing services and taking care of dairy farmers and dairy organizations to prepare for the development and increase of farmers' production efficiency.

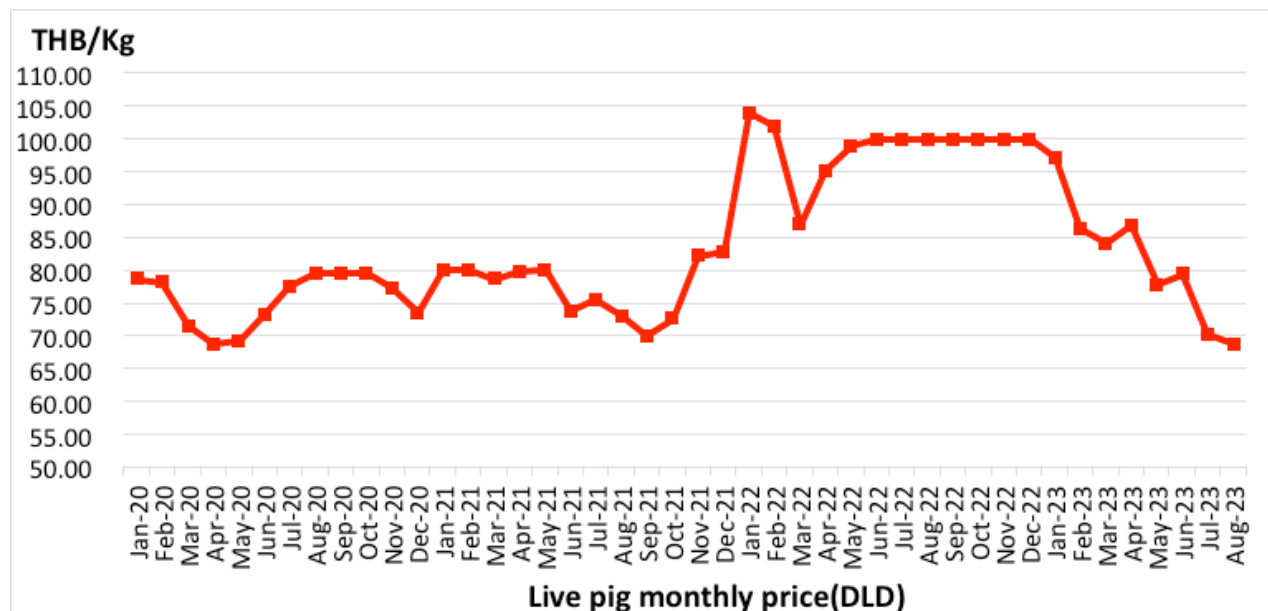
Including managing using the dairy cow database system of the DLD for integrating data for management, and make use of the same information which relevant persons can access the information both executives of the department and cooperatives in order to produce milk that meets quality standards and is safe for consumers. able to compete with foreign countries.

(Source: DLD executive news, August 18 2023)



## Live pig price in August 2023

The live pig price in August 2023 is 68.67 THB/Kg, which is 2.11% lower than the previous month. Year-on-year decrease of 31.33%. The average farm price of live pigs in Thailand is expected to decline due to the increasing supply, because the recovery of pig industry after African swine fever (ASF) outbreak. (Source: DLD, August 2023)



## Piglet price in August 2023

The price of 16kg piglet in July 2023 is 1600 THB, which is 6.67% higher than last month. A year-on-year decrease of 55.56%. (Source: DLD, August 2023)

