Scientific Aspects of Agnihotra: Animals - Cows

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In this series of articles we have covered so far the effects of Agnihotra on our environment (atmosphere, soil, and water resources) and also the use of Agnihotra in agriculture / horticulture.

Now let us look into the effect Agnihotra has on animals and how it can be used for animal husbandry. The first animal which comes to mind are cows.
Cows supply us with cow dung and milk from which we prepare cow's ghee. Without cows there would be no Agnihotra, no Vedic Yajnyas. Can cows also benefit from Agnihotra?
Experience of many farmers show that the health of cows improves considerably in Homa atmosphere. Also it was noticed that cows on Homa farms are more peaceful as compared to neighbouring farms. Some examples:

Germany

Monika Koch, a German pharmacist, developed medicines based on Agnihotra Ash which are used with all kind of human diseases showing wonderful results.

When the farmer from whom they got their cow dung said that one of his cows was troubled by eczema she tried Agnihotra Ash. Nothing else had helped, but the ash cured the eczema within a few days.

Another cow did not want to eat and got very weak – they added Agnihotra ash to the fodder, the cow started to eat and got strong again soon.

Chile, South America



Nene was a young bull at a cattle breeder in farm in Amazone area, Chile, South America, worth Thousands of Dollars.

He got the viral disease PIROPLASMOSIS which is transferred by ticks.

Medicines did not help and Nene could not get up any more, was close to dying.

Someone treated him with Agnihotra ash and with Agnihotra ash water.

Next day he was up again, ate and got totally healed only with Agnihotra medicine.

Saving cows in England

Wenda Shetala as small child freed some calves meant for slaughter and hided them all night in the forest.

When found, she was beaten up severely. But she vowed to create a refuge for cows when grown up.

This she now created such a refuge and often gets old and sick cows.

She performs Agnihotra regularly on this farm and all her treatments are with Agnihotra ash and with homeopathic medicines only.

Two years ago she also came to India for exchange of experience.



Chronic skin irritation for many years



Treatment with Agnihotra ash – wounds heals within a few days



Young bull nearly dying when he came to the farm



Agnihotra ash applied internally and externally - healing started immediately

There are many more such reports showing how cows were healed with Agnihotra and Agnihotra Ash. But till now there is only one systematic scientific study in this field. This experiment was conducted at the Zoological Department of the National Agricultural University in Tingo Maria, Peru, for a period of 18 months. It shows that in Homa atmosphere there is a considerable improvement as compared to control in the following respects:

- *Reproductive Index*
- *Cow's and calf's mortality*
- *Muscle development*
- *Weight at birth*
- *Placenta Retention*
- *Cow – calf separation*

Following table shows the results in detail:

PRODUCTIVE AND REPRODUCTIVE INDICATORS OF BREED CATTLE FOR MEAT IN THE HIGH HUALLAGA ZONE, COMPARISON OF FARMS WITH AND WITHOUT HOMA THERAPY

Parameters	Indicators **with Homa Therapy**	Indicators **without Homa Therapy**	Indicators **normal for the zone**
Reproductive Index (%)	88.6	60.0	65.0
Cow's Mortality (%)	1.8	3.5	4.0
Calf's Mortality (%)	3.5	11.5	10.0
Muscule Development (%)	16.0	8.7	12.0
Weight at Birth (kg)	35 - 40	30	28
Difficult Birth (%)	0	1.5	2.0
Placenta Retention (%)	0	1.0	1.5
Cow – calf separation (months)	5	6 - 7	6

This is a very interesting first study showing the positive effect of Agnihotra on health and reproduction of cows compared with non-Homa farms.
Would be good if such a study could be replicated, also comparing milk production as well as the fat content of milk as additional parameters.