Type and Feasibility of Agribusiness of Kub Chicken Household Scale

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Abstract. The aims of this assessment are to determine the type of KUB chicken agribusiness and feasibility of its business in household scale. The assessment was carried out from November to December 2020 using a survey method. Data were collected by using structured questionnaires to 133 KUB chicken farmers in East Java. Data were analyzed descriptively, using tabulation methods for understanding farming conditions and R/C ratio analysis for knowing economic feasibility. The results showed that there were many types of businesses run by KUB chicken farmers in East Java, namely day old chicks (DOC) production 29%, meat production 29%, consumption egg production 19%, and others are hatching eggs and pullet productions. Farming population capacity was more than 100 (30.5%), 50-100 chickens (35.9%) and less than 50 chickens (33.6%). The highest business feasibility was in the type of breeding business for DOC production with an R/C ratio of 2.12, and the lowest was in egg production and meat production with R/C ratio of 1.16. It can be concluded that the main type of business that has a high value of business feasibility in the household scale KUB chicken farm in East Java is the nursery to produce DOC.

1 Introduction

Indonesian Agency of Agricultural Research and Development of Agriculture Ministry has released a strain of the Balitbangtan Superior Native Chicken (KUB), known as KUB-1 Chicken, to fulfill the growing demand of native chicken meat with an intensive maintenance system. This chicken is a pure native chicken as a result of female selection for six generations with a fairly high egg production (160-180 eggs/year), 60% henday and with broodiness only 10% of the total population [1–4]. The KUB-1 chicken, a laying type chicken, is expected to provide a solution to the current scarcity of native chicken breeds.

KUB-1 chicken is also used as a meat-producing chicken due to the high market demand. The growth of intensively reared KUB-1 chickens can be harvested at the age of 70 days with body weight around 830.55 g on male and 691.51 g on female [1,5,6]. Intensive maintenance of native chickens by farmer has increased since 2005 after the outbreak of avian influenza cases in Indonesia [7,8] agribusiness of KUB-1 chicken is quite attractive to the public by seeing the high demand for KUB day old chick (DOC) that

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has not been fulfilled from government-owned breeding units, private breeding companies holding licenses and independent KUB chicken breeders. According to [9], KUB chickens have better prospect and a fairly broad marketing because it is needed at any time and is compatible with the culinary menus of Indonesia. The Price of KUB chickens, both male and female, is relatively higher, when compared to other types of chickens, as well as the price of DOC [10–12].

The development of KUB chicken agribusiness in the community shows that KUB chicken entrepreneurs run a farming with several types of farming based on the purpose of the products produced, namely; a) carcass production (70 days harvest), b) DOC production, c) Pullet production (female and male), d) egg production for consumption and e). the combination of them. According to Suharyon et al.,[13], the feasibility of the KUB chicken farming can be done by analyzing the R/C ratio [14]. If the R/C value is more than 1, the farming is profitable and deserves to be continued so that it will become a sustainable farming. The aim of the study was to determine the type and feasibility of the farming system chosen by farmer.

2 Material and Method

The study was conducted using a survey method in October – December 2020. The characteristics of the breeder and the type of farming were obtained by interviewing using a questionnaire with the respondents involved as many as 133 KUB chicken farmers in the East Java Province. The observed variables were Individual characteristic of farmers, type of farming based on product goals, population and rearing system, and production cost. Production cost data was obtained by conducting in-depth interviews about technical and economical with 10 farmers who are members of the Berkah Alam Makmur Cooperative, East Java.

Economic feasibility is analyzed using the R/C ratio which is a comparison between total revenues and costs. This analysis was conducted to determine the economic value and efficiency level of a business, in this case the KUB chicken business. The observed variables include Cost Value, Revenue Value, Profit Value and R/C Ratio Value [15] [16]. Total Cost (TC) is the total cost consisting of total variable costs (TVC) and total fixed costs (TFC). The costs used in this study include the overall value of financial inputs that are actually spent to finance the KUB Chicken business production process, with the equation:

$$TC = TFC + TVC \quad (1)$$

Total Revenue (TR) is the total money received from successfully sold products, or the multiplication of the number of products produced (Q) with the selling price per unit product (P), with the following equation:

$$TR = P \times Q \quad (2)$$

The Equation of R/C Ratio:

$$R/C = TR/TC \quad (3)$$

The criteria used to assess the R/C Ratio are as follows:

- a. R/C Ratio > 1 means the business is profitable.
- b. R/C Ratio < 1 means business is unprofitable
- c. R/C Ratio = 1 means a break-even point (BEP).

3 Results and Discussions

3.1 Farmer Characteristic

In 2020, there have been 133 independent farmers in East Java. The majority of farmers are male (95.3%) and young age 19-39 years (74.8%). This shows that millennial have easier access than older farmers to access information about KUB Chicken that available via the internet or social media. Another advantage of the young age of farmers are the ease and speed of adopting technology [17, 18, 19].

Table 1. Characteristics of East Java KUB Chicken Farmers (n=133 people)

No.	Characteristic	Percentage	Number	Characteristic	Percentage
1	Sex		4	Education	
	Female	4.7		Junior High School	10.1
	Male	95.3		Senior High School	51.4
2	Age		5	Bachelor	38.5
	19-39	74.8		Main income	
	40-56	22.6		Farming	16.54
3	More than 56	2.6		Livestock	27.07
	Experience (year)			Merchant	24.06
	0-1	56.9		Employee	20.30
	>1-3	17.7		others	12.03
	< 3	25.4			

More than half of KUB chicken farmers in East Java (56.9%) are beginner with 0-1 years of experience raising chickens and other poultry. This indicates that the KUB chicken business is a business opportunity that can be carried out during the COVID-19 pandemic which began to feel its impact in March 2020. About 25.4% are farmers with experience less than 3 years. The main motivation for choosing KUB-1 chicken business is the potential advantages of KUB chicken.

3.2 KUB Chicken Farming Typology

KUB-1 chickens can be used as dual-purpose livestock that can produce meat and eggs, giving rise to many types of businesses, namely; 1) Production of carcass and meat, 2). Production of consumption eggs, 3) Production of hatching eggs, 4). Production of pullets, 5). DOC production, 6). Hatching, and 6). Post-harvest and marketing. All types of KUB chicken businesses in East Java with a percentage as shown in Figure 1.

The type of farming that is mostly chosen by farmers is carcass production (29%) and DOC (29%). Carcass production was chosen because this business is the easiest to do and the capital turnover is fast. Breeding for the production of DOC was chosen because there are not many business actors, while the demand for KUB chicken DOC is quite high. some farmers have also started off-farm farming in the form of post-harvest processing.

The population in the household-scale KUB-1 chicken farming business in East Java is mostly more than 50 (34%) and 51-100 (35.9%), and 101-500 (21%). More than 70% of farmers only have laying hen as egg producers of less than 50. Most of the farmers raise their chickens with an intensive system and some with a semi-intensive system. Intensive systems make it easier to handle and control disease and can increase the production of native chicken eggs.

Fig. 1. Type of farming and population of KUB-1 chicken

3.3 Farming Feasibility

Economic analysis of various types of KUB chicken farming carried out by farmers with a rearing capacity of 200 DOC is presented in Table 2. It can be seen that KUB chicken farming with the objectives of carcass production, pullet production, hatching egg production and DOC production is economically feasible because all of the R/C values are more than 1.

The most profitable type of farming is breeding for DOC production with R/C 2,12. Then following by pullet production farming 1,23, egg production consumption 1,17 and carcass production 1,16. An R/C value of more than 1 indicates that the farmer still has a profit after spending all production costs. The highest cost of all types of chicken farming is the cost of feed. Therefore, the rise and fall of feed prices will greatly affect the income that will be received by farmers. The skills of breeders in feed management (ration formulation) to produce cheap and quality feed so that they do not depend on manufacturer's feed are the key to success and sustainability. Subagiyo et al.,[20] reported the results of a financial analysis of using local feed economically to provide a profit of IDR 2,360,700 with an R/C efficiency level of 1.27, the break-even point is IDR 21,187.

Breeding farming to produce DOC is more profitable than producing consumption eggs, even though the length of one cycle period required is the same. The price of DOC (IDR. 7,500,-) is much higher than that of consumption eggs (IDR 2,500,-). This is also influenced by the level of egg hatchability. According to Wantasen et al., [21] the acceptance of the chicken breeding business is influenced by the hatching rate, the number of productive chickens, production costs and the number of eggs hatched, [21–23].

Isbandi dan Agustina[24] reported that KUB chicken breeding farming in Jago Village, Praya District, Central Lombok Regency, West Nusa Tenggara is feasible because it has an R/C ratio of 2.76 in one production cycle. Breeding farms producing DOC per production cycle can be profitable with a ratio of R/C more than 2 in one year [25, 26, 27, 28].

The type of KUB chicken farming for carcass production resulted in an R/C value of 1.16. This is not much different from the research results of Rusdiana and Praharani, reported that the price of 8-week-old KUB native chickens obtained an R/C ratio of 1.3 [9]. Asnidar reported that the minimum scale of KUB chicken farming for carcass production was 200 heads each period for 12 weeks, with an R/C ratio of 1.14 [29].

Tabel 2. Economic analysis of various types of KUB chicken farming

Cost	Carcass Production			Pullet Production			Egg Consumption Production			DOC Production		
	volume	Unit	Value (IDR)	volume	Unit	Value (IDR)	volume	Unit	Value (IDR)	Volume	Unit	Value (IDR)
Fix Cost												
Depreciation of cage	2.5	Month	162,500	4	Month	428,000	18	Month	1,926,000	18	Month	1,926,000
Depreciation of equipment	2.5	Month	37,500	4	Month	100,000	18	Month	630,000	18	Month	1,350,000
Variable Cost												
Day Old Chick	200	Head	1,500,000	200	Head	1,500,000	200	Head	1,500,000	200	Head	1,500,000
Starter period feed	70	Kg	490,000	70	Kg	490,000	70	Kg	490,000	70	Kg	490,000
Grower Feed	400	Kg	2,240,000	1,000	Kg	5,600,000	1,000	Kg	5,600,000	1,000	Kg	5,600,000
Layer Feed	0	Kg	-	0	Kg	-	3,900	Kg	18,330,000	4,290	Kg	20,163,000
Vaccine and drug	1	Pack	52,000	1	Pack	362,000	1	Pack	2,987,000	1	Pack	2,987,000
Vitamin	0.1	Kg	9,800	0.5	Kg	49,000	3	Kg	294,000	3	Kg	294,000
Disinfectant	0.1	litter	7,500	0.5	litter	37,500	3	litter	225,000	3	litter	225,000
Litter	3	bag	24,000	9	bag	72,000	45	bag	360,000	45	bag	360,000
Electricity and water	68	kwh	88,400	124	kwh	161,200	844	kwh	1,097,200	844	kwh	1,097,200
Labor	2.5	Month	850,000	4	Month	1,360,000	18	Month	6,120,000	18	Month	12,600,000
Total Cost			5,461,700			10,159,700			39,559,200			48,592,200
Revenue												
Slaughtered	195	Head	6,337,500	72	Head	2,340,000	70	Head	2,275,000	70	Head	2,275,000
Male and female pullet	0	Head	0	120	Head	10,200,000	0	Head	0	0	Head	0
Consumpsion eggs	0	item	0	0	item	0	16,146	Item	40,365,000	12,917	Item	96,876,000
DOC	0	Head	0	0	Head	0	104	Head	3,640,000	104	Head	3,640,000
Total Revenue			6,337,500			12,540,000			46,280,000			102,791,000
Profit			875,800			2,380,300			6,720,800			54,198,800
R/C			1.16			1.23			1.17			2.12
Production Cycle Periode	2.5 months			4 months			18 months			18 months		

4 Conclusion and Suggestion

4.1 Conclusion

KUB chicken farming that has developed a lot is the type of farming that has the objectives of carcass production, DOC production, pullet production and egg production for consumption. All types of farming are economically feasible to do with different R/C values. Breeding farming to produce DOC is the most profitable with an R/C value of 2.12 for one production cycle (18 months).

4.2 Suggestions

It is recommended that a network be formed between groups that produce different KUB chicken farm products, support each other, so that they become a strong and sustainable KUB Chicken production institution.

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