

Mistakes farmers do in goat farming

There are mistakes farmers make in goat farming and these are expensive.

Before you setup a farm, you need to have a vision ie why you keep the animals. You do not have to keep animals because others keep them. Hybrids are kept for their fast growth rate and maturity weight hence castrating them means losing their good genes. Pure breeds and hybrids can mate with locals to produce offsprings with improved genetic makeup hence should be sold for or used as breeding animals.

Caution in farming

Having a well aerated raised goats house is perfect but its wrong to have a cemented un slanting floor under the raised house because this stagnates urine which when mixed with the goats dung produces ammonia gas. The ammonia causes the goats to cough all the time and leads to pneumonia.

Do not mix goats with cows and/ or sheep because the cows and sheep can tolerate some diseases which diseases can severely affect the goats.

Separate the kids from the female weaners and from the males to avoid inbreeding.

The dung should be deposited away from the animal pen because if deposited near the pen, ammonia gas from the dung and urine will get into the pen and affect the animals.