Remember

To reduce diarrhoea in camel calves, use:

- 1. Conventional drugs.
- 2. Rehydrate using a mixture of honey, table salt and water.
- 3. Chicken eggs given orally daily.



Reduced diarrhoea implies more calves



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Introduction

Diarrhoea in camel calves is caused by disease pathogens and poor feeding regimes and may cause between 12-60% deaths in calves that are 1-3 months old. Most of the methods used to treat diarrhoea are ineffective but the following conventional and traditional remedies have been found to be effective.

I. Conventional drugs

Administer sulphur based drugs e.g. S-dime tablets according to instructions of the manufacturer:



A pastoralist displaying S-dime tablet



Administration of S-dime to diarrhoearing calf

Rehydration using honey, table salt and water mixture

Take three table spoonfuls of honey and one and a half table spoonfuls of table salt and mix with three litres of water. Orally administer 300mls of the solution at four hourly interval until the diarrhoea stops. This has rehydrating and curative effects.



Mixing the ingredients

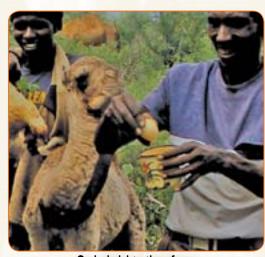


Oral administration of solution

3. Use of eggs

Chicken eggs have both curative and preventive effects on calf diarrhoea.

Give one egg orally daily to a diarrhoearing calf until the diarrhoea stops.



Oral administration of eggs