

Biodiversity, Traditional Knowledge and Health

The primary outcome of development and SDG goals is better human and planetary health. FLEDGE's role would be that of a catalyst bringing together key stakeholders in the health sector and to leverage local community knowledge and bio-resources for affordable health care, through research, capacity building, policy and governance mechanisms.

Current areas of focus include options for effective ethno-veterinary practices, reduced anti-biotic use in treating livestock, traditional knowledge based options for achieving SDG 3 on health, supporting actions on promoting biodiversity based health security systems at household level and the related.

In partnership with Skill Council for Green Jobs (SCGJ), FLEDGE is currently developing scalable actions at village level to provide value-addition as well as skill development for local communities.

FLEDGE currently in embarking on a long-term programme focusing on integrated health care for animals with focus on reduced use of antibiotics, ethno-veterinary practices and production of 'green' milk and related product development.

The Integrated Animal Health Programme (IAHP) during 2018 will support training of both farmers and veterinarians in animal health management through integrated health practices besides establishing a national programme in Uganda at the invitation of stakeholder groups there. Additionally, FLEDGE will design and offer a Certificate Programme on Integrated Animal Health in 2018.