

Smallholder farmers' multilevel challenges to adopt improved dairy technologies and practices

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### Introduction

- Adopting improved dairy farming technologies is a key for increasing smallholder farmers' milk productivity and quality
- Many dairy technologies introduced to farmers by different development agents (e.g. dairy cooperatives, the government, universities)
  - Which technologies have been adopted by smallholder dairy farmers?
  - What are the main barriers to adopt technologies?
- The data analysis utilised cross-sectional dataset collected in the IndoDairy Smallholder Household Survey (ISHS) 2017 (n=600 farmers)



## Dairy technologies at the farm level



#### **Dairy feed**

- 1. Use of high quality grasses
- 2. Use of fertiliser to grow grass
- 3. Improving drinking water availability
- 4. High protein concentrates (16% or higher)
- 5. Conserving forages for the dry season (hay, silage)



#### Milk quality enhancing

- 6. Improved milking hygiene to reduce TPC
- 7. Use of stainless steel milking equipment



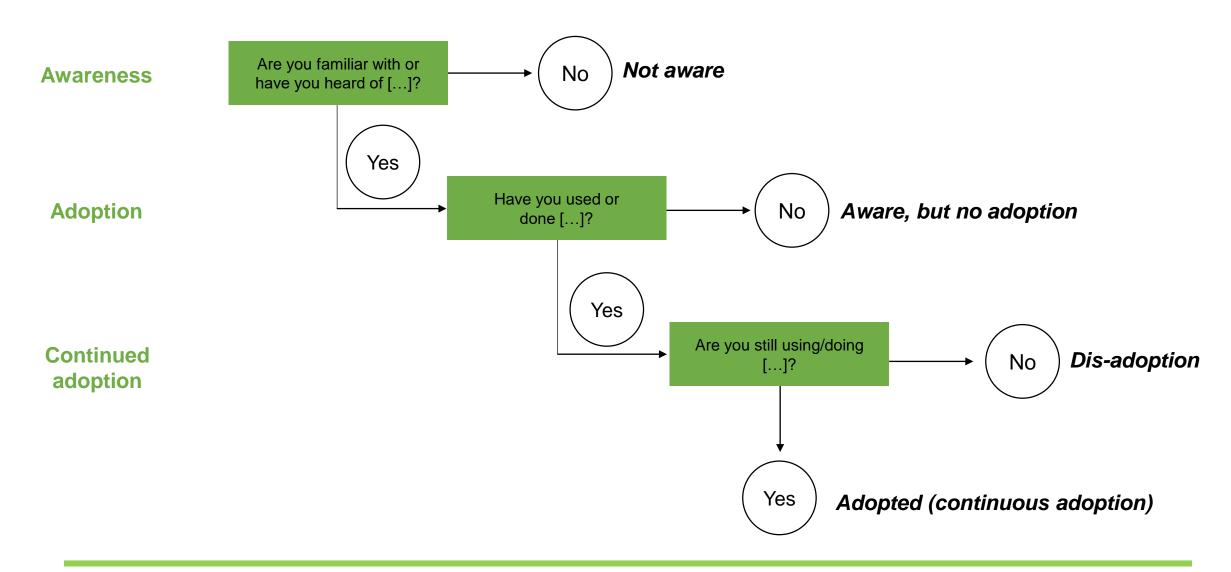
#### **Animal health**

- 8. Teat dipping after milking
- 9. Mastitis test
- 10. Rubber floor for barn/cage



Farm management
11. Record keeping

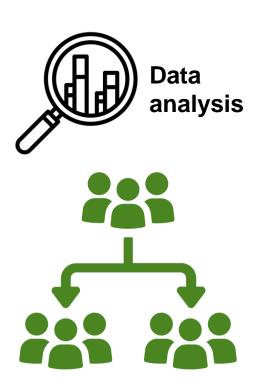
## Framework – Adoption is a process



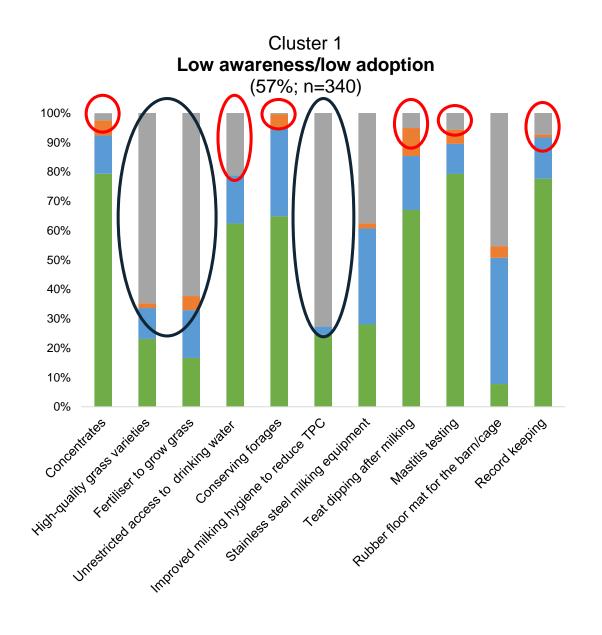
# Grouping farmers based on their adoption status

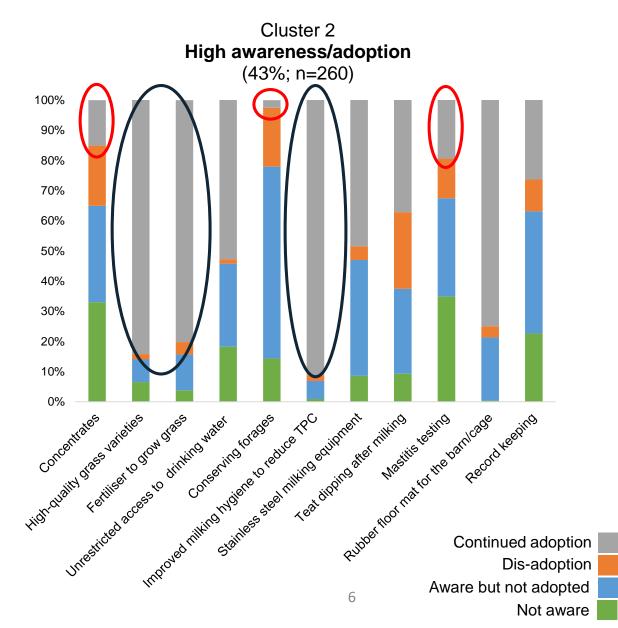
Latent class cluster (LC-cluster) analysis

- To identify unique segments (profiles) of smallholder dairy farmers based on the adoption status on multiple dairy technologies
- 11 technologies adoption status:
  - 1. Not aware
  - 2. Aware, but not adoption
  - 3. Dis-adoption
  - 4. Adopt (continuous adoption)



## Adoption profile clusters







# Indonesia's Smallholder Dairy Farmers Barriers to Technology Adoption

**57%** 

Low awareness/ low adoption



43%

High awareness/high adoption

5.7 years education

4.4 cows



7.4 years education



**7.3 cows** 



More aware of milk quality indicators



29.3 mins travel to KUD office



More contacts with extension staff

Less aware of milk quality indicators

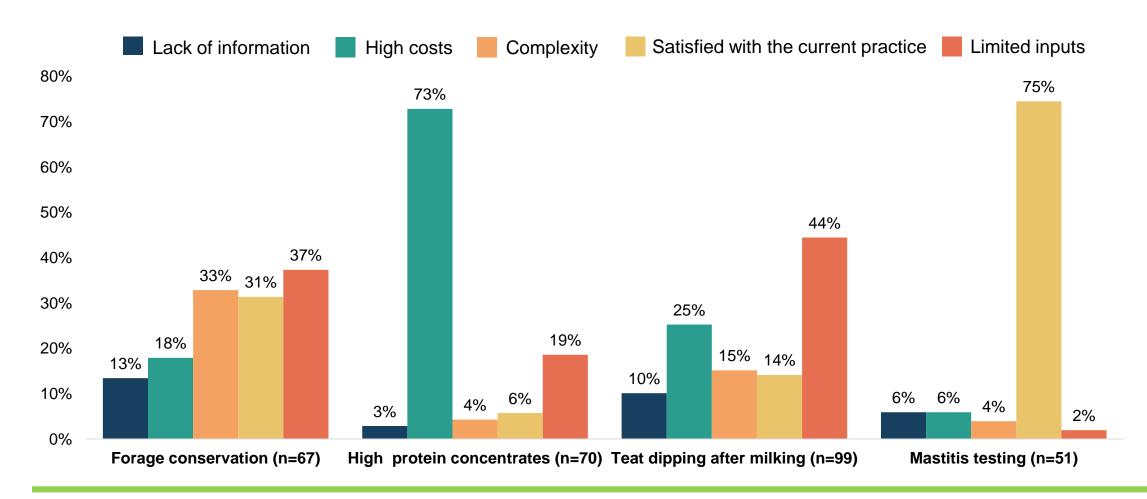
36.5 mins travel to KUD office



## Dis-adoption rates of dairy technologies

Technologies	Number of farmers that have used (a)	Number of farmers that dis-adopted (b)	Percentage of farmers dis-adopted (c = b/a*100)
Forage conservation	75	67	89%
High protein concentrates	118	70	59%
Teat dipping after milking	214	99	46%
Mastitis testing	121	51	42%

## Reasons for dis-adoption



## Value chain interviews with cooperative board in Dec 2017 – Jan 2018

#### High costs of high protein concentrates

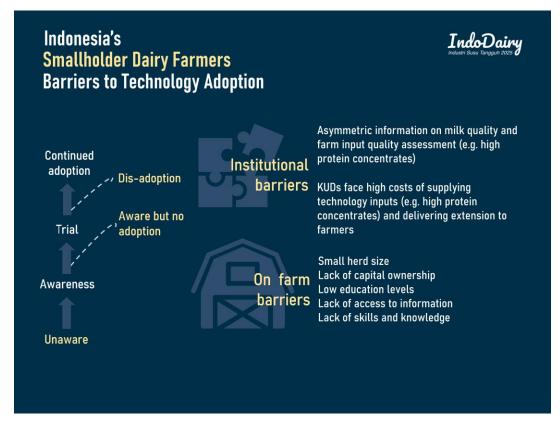
"On the one hand, we have to make concentrates with adequate protein content for the needs of cows. On the other hand, the price is high, and it is not affordable for farmers. The problem is the price of raw materials continue to increase" (Participant 3, Cooperative 3).

# Less incentive to adopt technologies

## Milk and farm input quality

- No individual incentives for farmers' milk quality and hygiene
- Input quality is not known by farmers
- No independent body to test the quality of milk and farm inputs

## Conclusion and policy implications



#### Smallholder farmers' adoption decisions are varied

 Influenced by differences in farmers' socioeconomic characteristics, access to agricultural services, and the characteristics of the technologies

#### Multilevel barriers to adoption

- Farm-level: lack of individual awareness, limited capital and improved knowledge
- Institutional level: arrangements regarding milk and input quality assessment and the provision of dairy farm inputs and services

#### Tailored agricultural extension programs and assistances

- Based on farmers' unique characteristics, needs, and constraints and in accordance with the characteristics of the technology being introduced
  - Implementing "reach-out" strategies to increase farmers' awareness of key technologies
  - Improving farmers' access to capital to invest in the new technologies, and training to improve farmers skills and knowledge

### Thank You!

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