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Utilization of Crop – Livestock Production Systems for Sustainable Agriculture in Oyo State, Nigeria

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ABSTRACT The study examined the utilization of crop-livestock production systems in Iseyin Local Government area of Oyo State. Sixty agro-pastoralists were purposively selected. Interview guide was used to obtain information on the respondents' demographic characteristics. The study revealed that majority of the respondents (73.34 %) are within the ages of 31-50 years. Most of them (76.66%) had completed one form of formal education. Over (75%) of the respondents had more than 10 cattle and about half of the respondents (50.33%) had over 20 goats. The results revealed that the highest scores of utilization of crop—livestock production systems were found in Extra income through sales, sustain food and Enhancing soil fertility with scores 58, 56 and 51 respectively and mean scores of X = 1.97; X = 1.91 and X = 1.84, respectively. The most prominent constraint to crop—livestock production is prevailing infections and parasitic diseases (81.67%). The increasing interest in utilization of crop-livestock production systems should be emphasized because of its beneficial uses.