



# Assessment of farm profiles, knowledge gain and adaptation behaviors of biosecurity practices in small and medium scale commercial poultry farms in Western agro-climatic zones of Tamil Nadu, India



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**What & Why we need Bio-security?**

- ✓ A set of practices designed to prevent the entry and spread of infectious diseases
- ✓ Reduces the risk of pathogens transmitted diseases from one farm to neighboring farms.
- ✓ Thus minimizing the negative impact they can have on poultry production.

**To analyze the current state of farm-level biosecurity measures for disease prevention and adaptation measures within and between chicken farms in Tamil Nadu, India**



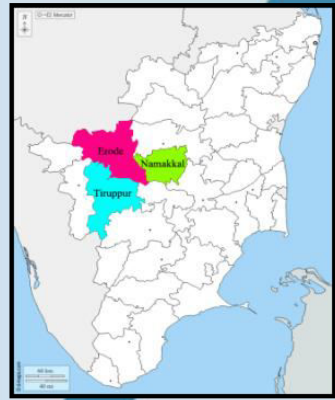
**Hypothesis:** Broiler farmers had more concentrated on managerial aspects compared to layer and commercial desi farmers.

**How is biosecurity achieved?**



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# Methodology & Results



Study Region



Commercial poultry farmers (89)

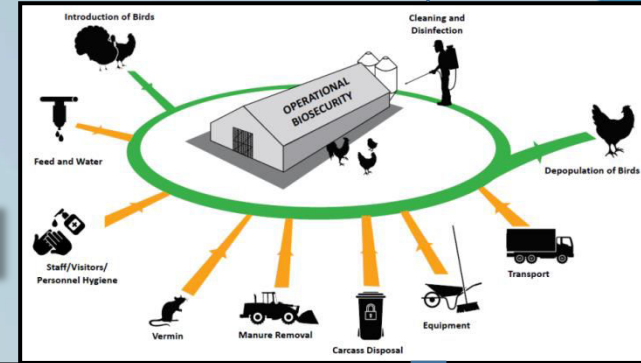
Pre-evaluation questionnaire survey (Test of Knowledge)



Bio-security Training (2 Days)

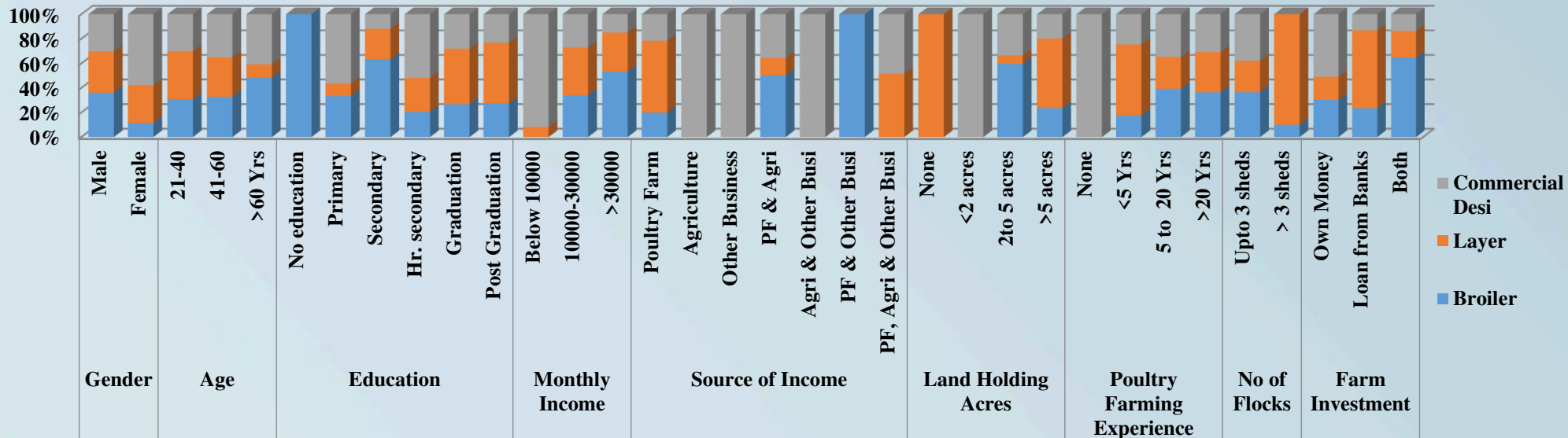
Post-evaluation questionnaire survey (Knowledge gain)

After 3 Months (Incubation Period)



## Adaptable Bio-security measures in commercial poultry Production

### Farmers Profiles (Personal and Farm)



Adaptation behavior Analysis by 3 Point Likert scale

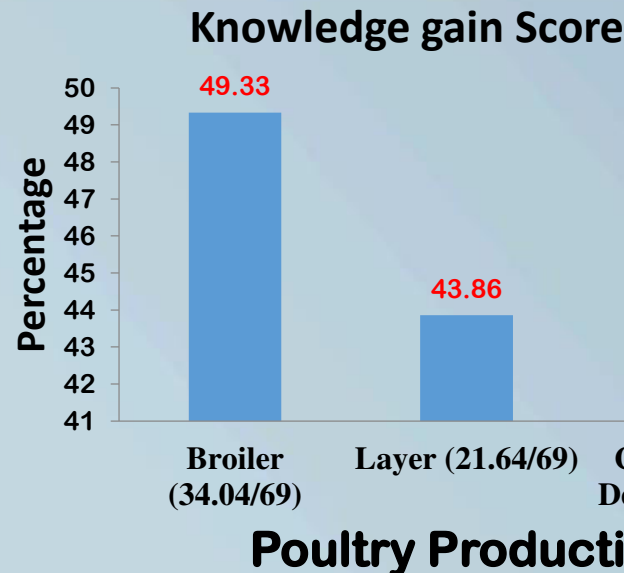


Produce Disease free Healthy birds

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# Salient Findings

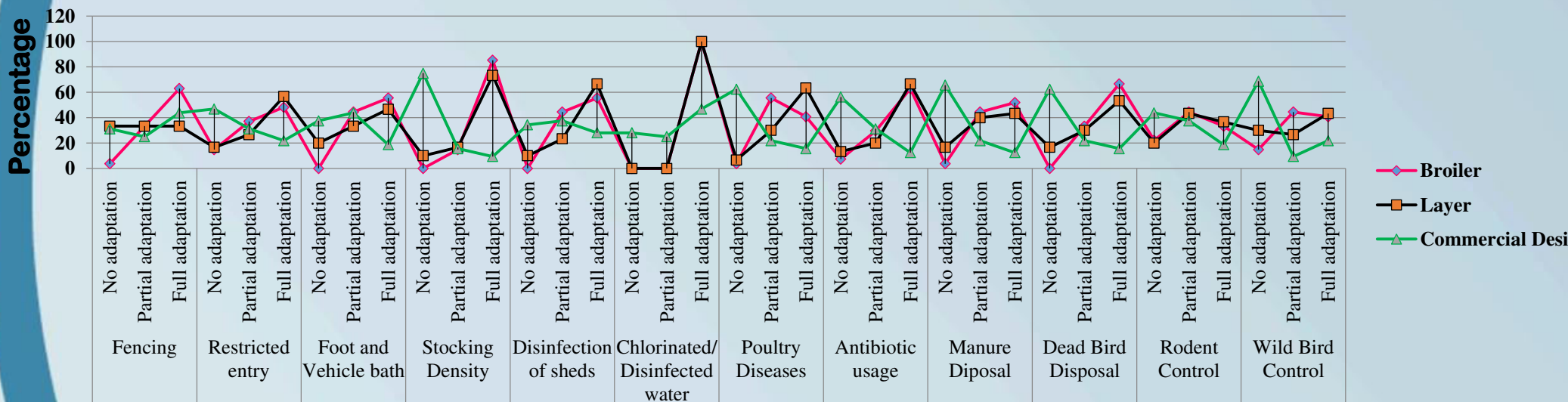
- Trainees were 89% male and 11% female, between 21-60 years old (90%), with good education level at Secondary and above.
- Experienced (5-20 years) farmers dominated (56.2%) and the major source of income is from poultry farming and agriculture (46.1%).
- Knowledge gain in farm fencing, antibiotic usage, and wild bird management ( $p < 0.05$ ). Broiler farmers acquired more knowledge in dead bird disposal, and chick quality ( $p > 0.05$ ).
- Adaptation behavior increased ( $p < 0.05$ ) except for rodent and pest control.



## Conclusions

Broiler producing farmers are having more knowledge but lacking biosecurity awareness

## Adaptation of Bio-security practices



Training program should be organized for layer and commercial desi producers for the creation of bio-security awareness and to enhance the female candidates to sustain their livelihood

## Future Plan

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