

## PROBLEM STATEMENT

There has been inadequate information about the nature and function of the emerging contract farming arrangements in Uganda. However, The poultry commercial farmers (hatcher, sellers and buyers of poultry birds) continue to rapidly expand throughout Uganda. After careful investigation of the current method of acquiring information and providing services to contract-based poultry farmers in Uganda, the following problems were discovered:

- i) Non-integration of all parties involved in service delivery.
- ii) Delays in submission of information from surveys.
- iii) In-accurate record keeping.
- iv) Information redundancy; to mention but a few.

## OBJECTIVES

### ***MAIN OBJECTIVES:***

- i) To improve contract-based marketing system in Uganda.
- ii) To help the commercial poultry farmers to efficiently collect and manage data from their contract farmers and customers .
- iii) To improve post-harvest technology and processing .
- iv) To develop an Integrated data collection and a centralized database system.
- v) To design an efficient web-based system for the advancement of contract-based poultry farming system research and analysis, which will make it easy to follow up a farmers farming records for their farm.
- vi) To speed up the processing, storing and retrieval of informations, which will greatly assist poultry-farm researchers in performing their duties.
- vii) To help improve decision making by reducing processing time as well as communication gap between researchers and other staff involved in the commercial business and also reduce human errors.

### ***SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:***

- i) To Document the range and extent of contract farming and other organizational arrangements used in small-holder poultry production in Uganda.
- ii) Analyze the structure and conduct of the hatchery feeds and equipment industries serving the poultry sector.
- iii) Identify factors that influence participation or non-participation in contract farming.

iv) Compare net incomes and production and marketing costs under independent and contract farming arrangements.

Identify policy implications of the findings to promote and facilitate profitable poultry farming.

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<sup>1</sup>Group1 Research Problem statement, Main Objectives and Specific objectives