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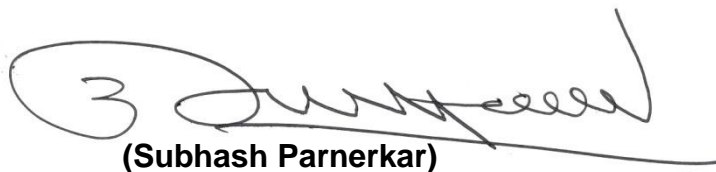
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

India is the largest milk producing country in the world, having estimated production of 155.5 million tonnes of milk in 2015-16. Emerging trends indicate that milk demand is growing rapidly and is likely to reach between 200 and 210 million tonnes by the year 2021-22. For domestic supply to meet the projected demand, incremental annual milk production of about 6 million tons per annum is needed over the next 15 years. If milk production fails to increase at the required pace, the demand-supply gap would continue to widen, which could lead to dependence on imports.

The ruminant livestock contribute up to 50% of the total methane (CH₄) emission in India (INCCA, 2010). Over a wide range of diets, enteric methane accounts for 2 to 12% of dietary gross energy intake (Johnson and Johnson, 1995) which represents a significant loss of energy that could otherwise potentially be repartitioned toward tissues or the mammary gland. Due to the concerns of increase in greenhouse gases emissions into the environment and its potential effects on global warming, there is a need to develop strategies to lower methane emission from ruminants to secure and develop more sustainable ruminant food production systems. Manipulating diet composition to induce changes in rumen fermentation characteristics remains the most feasible approach to achieve reduction in methane emission (Bayat and Shingfield, 2012).

Imbalanced feeding is widely prevalent in the smallholder dairy systems of tropical countries, like India. Imbalanced feeding not only produces less milk at a higher cost, but also produces more methane per litre of milk production. Livestock fed imbalanced rations produce more methane, as most of the dietary organic matter (OM) is fermented to produce acetate and butyrate, resulting into more CH₄ production (Blummel, 2000). On the contrary, Leng (1991) has reported that if the ration is balanced for all essential nutrients, OM is fermented to produce more microbial biomass and less of CH₄. Changing plane of nutrition through balanced feeding improves rumen fermentation pattern and thus reduces methanogenesis in ruminants.

The present study was planned to evaluate the impact of ration balancing on methane emissions in dairy animals in western region of India. In this region, Anand district of Gujarat state is considered to have a significant importance for dairying, hence its two villages Jahangirpura and Bhumel were selected for the study. Thirty seven early lactating buffaloes were shortlisted. A structured schedule/ Questionnaire was prepared and the data on feeding practices of the animals followed by the dairy farmers were recorded through Personal Interview. Sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆) tracer technique was used for measurement of methane emission from milch animals under field conditions. Permeation tubes were filled with SF₆ gas and its release rate was recorded. Permeation tubes with known release rate of SF₆ gas were inserted in the rumen of experimental animals.

To measure methane emission before feeding a balanced ration, dummy canisters and halters were fitted to individual animal for 3 days for adaptation. After adaptation period, breath samples (24 hours basis) were collected from individual animal for four consecutive days in evacuated canisters. The canisters were filled with nitrogen gas for maintaining neutral pressure and were brought to AAU, Anand for estimation of methane emissions. The samples of feed, fodder and milk of individual animal were also collected before feeding a balanced ration. All the canisters were analyzed by gas chromatography in the laboratory at Animal Nutrition Research Station, AAU, Anand for methane and SF₆ concentration in the breath samples.

After completing the baseline methane emission measurement (before ration balancing), the ration of individual animal were balanced for energy, protein, calcium and phosphorus using software developed by NDDDB. The farmers were advised to feed balanced ration to their buffaloes for a period of 30 days. After this period was over, again the breath samples were collected from individual animal for 4 consecutive days in evacuated canisters and analyzed for methane and SF₆ as described above. Milk yield and milk fat content of individual animal on daily basis during the methane collection period was determined before and after balancing the ration on individual animal.

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Methane emission was calculated as per the product of the permeation tube release rate and the ratio of CH₄ to SF₆ concentration in the breath samples. All samples were analyzed in duplicates. Methane emission (g/kg milk yield) was calculated before and after feeding a balanced ration. Statistical analysis of data was done using SAS software version 9.3.

In the present study, the daily average milk yield before ration balancing was 8.68 kg, which increased significantly ($P<0.05$) to 9.11kg after feeding a balanced ration. The Milk fat content also increased from 6.79 to 7.02% ($P<0.05$) after feeding a balanced ration. The average methane emission from buffaloes was 214.59 and 192.73 g/ day before and after feeding a balanced ration, respectively. The average methane emission in terms of g/kg milk yield was reduced significantly from 25.51 to 21.63 in buffaloes after feeding a balanced ration. The balanced feeding reduced average methane emission (g/kg milk yield) by about 15.21% in experimental buffaloes. Thus, ration balancing helped in improving productivity of lactating buffaloes with concomitant reduction in enteric methane emission in western region of India.

INTRODUCTION

Feeding is the foundation of livestock systems and accounts for more than 70% of the total cost of milk production. It affects the entire livestock sector, including animal productivity, health and welfare, and the environment. Devendra and Leng (2011) have stated that the locally available feed resources act as the key driving force for improving the productivity of animals in developing countries. Feeding as per the nutrient requirement of animals, using locally available feed resources is imperative for improving the genetic potential of low yielding dairy animals in India. Therefore, to maximize profitability from the dairy animals, one needs to ensure that the dairy animals receive required quantity of protein, energy, minerals and vitamins, preferably from locally available feed resources. This would result in improved production and nutrient use efficiencies. The balanced nutrition approach is also one of the most promising ways to reduce methane emissions in ruminants.

It is documented that the most relevant methane mitigation strategy for smallholder mixed crop-livestock systems in tropical countries is to increase individual animal productivity as a consequence of providing nutritionally balanced feeds (Bayat and Shingfield, 2012; Hristov *et al.* 2013).

In India, most of the farmers follow traditional feeding practices, which often lead to either excess or deficient intake of protein, energy and minerals as compared to requirement of the animals. Imbalance of protein, energy and minerals exists widely in dairy animals and severity of the excess or deficiency depends upon the type of diet, age, physiological status of animals and the agro-climatic conditions of the region (Underwood and Suttle, 1999). Various studies conducted in India show that either there is deficiency of energy (Mudgal *et al.*, 2003) or in excess (Singh *et al.*, 2002) in the ration of dairy animals. Similarly, protein is either deficient (Mudgal *et al.*, 2003; Singh *et al.*, 2002) or in excess (Gupta *et al.*, 2006) in the diet of animals.

Mineral deficiencies are frequently encountered in the ration of dairy animals in most of the developing countries (Underwood and Suttle, 1999; McDowell *et al.*, 1993). Excess or deficiency of minerals in soil are directly reflected in animals because livestock in tropics are maintained only on forages without additional

mineral supplementation (McDowell, 1985) and most occurring mineral deficiencies in dairy animals are area specific (Ramana *et al.*, 2001; Gowda *et al.*, 2002; Garg *et al.*, 2005). Farmers in India often do not feed adequate quantities of mineral mixtures to their animals due to non-availability and lack of knowledge about the benefits of feeding mineral mixtures or higher cost.

The concept of ration balancing is already in place in most of the developed countries, where the feed resources are available in abundance with good sources of protein, energy and minerals. The herd sizes are much bigger and the livestock owners are better versed with the scientific practices of feeding and management. In most of the tropical countries, herd sizes are smaller and dairy farmers follow traditional feeding practices, causing imbalance of nutrients in terms of protein, energy, minerals and vitamins. In view of this, the concept of ration balancing for smallholder dairy farmers in most of the tropical countries has been a challenge owing to their lack of knowledge and skills to prepare a balanced ration. Also the smallholder farmers are not in a position to hire specialists for preparing balanced rations.

The National Dairy Plan Phase-I (NDP-I) is a central sector scheme of Government of India, assisted by the World Bank and implemented by National Dairy Development Board (NDDB), Anand with the help of numerous End Implementing Agencies (EIAs). NDP-I is a scientifically planned multi state initiative to increase milk production by increasing milch animal productivity in existing herds through a focussed approach to feeding and breeding. The Ration balancing programme (RBP) is being implemented by the NDDB in different states of the country. To quantify the effect of ration balancing on enteric CH₄ emissions under field conditions, NDDB had undertaken various CH₄ emission measurement studies in different agro-climatic regions of the country, using SF₆tracer technique (Johnson *et al.*, 1994). The results of study conducted by Garg *et al.*, (2014) indicate that balanced feeding has reduced methane emissions (g/kg milk yield) by 17.30% (P<0.05) and 19.50% (P<0.01) in lactating cows and buffaloes, respectively. Under NDP I, Anand Agricultural University (AAU), Anand as an external agency to the project conducted the present study for evaluating the impact of ration balancing on methane emissions in dairy animals in western India.

BACKGROUND OF THE STUDY

Emerging trends indicate that milk demand is growing rapidly and has been reached about 155.5 million tonnes by 2016-17 (the end year of 12th Five Year Plan). It is further projected that milk demand could reach between 200 and 210 million tonnes by the year 2021-22. For domestic supply to meet the projected demand, incremental annual milk production of about 6 million tones per annum is needed over the next 15 years (compared to actual achievement of about 3 million tonnes annually over the last 15 years). If milk production fails to increase at the required pace, the demand-supply gap would continue to widen, which could lead to dependence on imports.

Over a wide range of diets, enteric methane accounts for 2 to 12% of dietary gross energy intake (Johnson and Johnson, 1995) which represents a significant loss of energy that could otherwise potentially be repartitioned toward tissues or the mammary gland. Due to the concerns of increase in greenhouse gases emissions into the environment and its potential effects on global warming, it is obligatory to develop strategies to lower methane emission from ruminants and develop more sustainable ruminant food production systems. Manipulating diet composition to induce changes in rumen fermentation characteristics remains the most feasible approach to achieve reduction in methane emission (Bayat and Shingfield, 2012). The milk production targets could be achieved provided the available feed resources are utilized efficiently and also the genetic potential of animals for milk production is realised to the maximum possible extent.

METHODOLOGY

In order to evaluate the impact of ration balancing on methane emissions in dairy animals, 37 early lactating buffaloes (up to 100 days post calving) were shortlisted in Jahangirpura village of Anand district and Bhumel village of Kheda district. Insurance of these animals were taken from United India/Oriental Insurance Company Limited, Anand for one year period. The permeation tubes with known release rate of SF₆ gas were inserted into the rumen of these experimental buffaloes through mouth. Sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆) tracer technique for measurement of

methane emission from ruminants under field conditions is being followed (Johnson *et al.*, 1994).

The study was conducted in three phases taking 17, 10 and 10 buffaloes in phase-I, II and III, respectively. Study in Phase-I (n=17) was conducted in Jahangirpura village of Anand district, whereas, Phase-II (n=10) and Phase-III (n=10) were conducted in Bhumel village of Kheda district. A structured questionnaire was prepared and the data on feeding practices forwarded by the dairy farmers in the two selected villages were recorded through Personal Interview (**Photo 1**). During before ration balancing period, animals were fed the ration as per the farm feeding practices followed. The Milk production and composition were recorded during this period. After one month of observation, the measurement of methane emission was done by collecting breath samples from the animals. After collecting the breath samples for methane emission measurements, the ration was balanced for individual animals as per the RBP software developed by NDDDB. The farmers were advised to feed the balanced ration for 30 days. Regular monitoring and execution was followed during this period. After one month of feeding a balanced ration, the milk yield was recorded and the samples of milk and breath samples were collected again from the same animals.



Photo 1: Collecting information in a structured questionnaires

Estimation of baseline methane emission

Standardizing SF₆ Release Rate

About 100 permeation tubes were filled with pure (99.9%) sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆) gas under liquid nitrogen. Permeation tubes containing SF₆ gas were kept at 39°C in water bath for 5 weeks period. The release rate of SF₆ from each permeation tubes was monitored weekly. After standardizing the release rate, 37 permeation tubes containing known release rate of SF₆ (2.79 ± 0.05 mg/day) were inserted in the rumen of each experimental buffalo through mouth.

Preparation of canisters and halters

An evacuated PVC canisters having 2-2.5" ID and 200 psi pressure, PVC end caps (10 kg/cm³ pressure) and a 90° elbow were used for breath sample collection from each buffalo. A short (4") piece of ¼" teflon tubing was attached to the valve with female ¼" quick connect on the upstream end to allow attachment to the halter. The prepared canisters are shown in **Photo 2**.

Collection of breath samples

Methane emission measurement from all 37 buffaloes fed under traditional feeding practices was undertaken. Dummy canisters and halters were tied to individual buffaloes for 3 days. After this period, breath samples (24 hour basis) were collected from individual buffaloes for four consecutive days by tying canisters and halters with necessary accessories (**Photo 3**). After collection of breath samples for baseline measurement of methane emissions (control period), these canisters were analyzed in the laboratory for methane and SF₆ concentration in the breath samples.



Photo 2: Preparation of canisters for collecting breath samples



Photo 3: Collection of breath samples before ration balancing for methane analysis

Feeds, fodder and milk

During control period, feeding of milch animals was in accordance with the prevailing feeding practices that the farmers followed. Feeds and fodder samples of these animals were collected and analyzed for proximate constituents in our laboratory (AOAC, 2005). The daily milk yield and milk fat content were recorded for four consecutive days.

Estimation of methane emission

The breath samples of all buffaloes were collected daily for 4 consecutive days in canisters and analyzed for CH₄ and SF₆ gases, using Gas Chromatograph instrument (**Photo 4**), fitted with a Porapak N column for CH₄ and molecular sieve 5A for SF₆ analysis (Johnson *et al.*, 1994). The column temperature was maintained at 50°C and nitrogen was used as a carrier gas, with flow rate of 30 ml/min. The CH₄ emission rate was calculated as the product of the permeation tube emission rate and the ratio of CH₄ to SF₆ concentration in the sample.



Photo 4: Analysis of breath samples in GC

Estimation of methane emission after feeding a balanced ration

After completing the measurement of methane emission before feeding balanced rations, the ration of individual animal was balanced for energy, protein, calcium and phosphorus as per the RBP software developed by NDDDB. Based on the details of animal like body weight, milk yield, milk fat content, pregnancy status, lactation number etc. balanced rations of these 37 buffaloes were formulated. Intake and requirement of nutrients as well as recommended nutrients for all buffaloes are given in Annexure I. The details about feeding of balanced rations were provided to animal owners in local language. The owners were advised to feed these balanced rations at least for 30 days. The members of research team and skilled persons regularly visited the farms and monitored the feeding of experimental buffaloes. After feeding balanced ration for 30 days, again methane emission was measured from these animals for four consecutive days (**Photo 5**). Daily milk yield and milk fat content were measured during 4 days period after feeding balanced ration.



Photo 5: Collection of breath samples after feeding a balanced ration

Calculation

Methane emission was calculated as the product of permeation tube emission rate and the ratio of methane to SF₆ concentration in the breath samples. All samples were analyzed in triplicate, using Gas Chromatograph instrument located at Animal Nutrition Research Station, Veterinary College, AAU, Anand. The Methane emission rate was calculated as under:

$$Q_{CH_4} = Q_{SF_6} \times (CH_4) / (SF_6)$$

Where,

Q_{CH₄} = Methane emission rate (g/min)

Q_{SF₆} = Known release rate of SF₆ from permeation tube (g/min)

CH₄ = Methane concentration of collected sample in canister (µg/m³)

SF₆ = SF₆ concentration of collected sample in canister (µg/m³)

The amount of methane emission (g/ kg milk yield) was also calculated before and after feeding a balanced ration.

Statistical analysis

Completely Randomized Design was followed for Statistical analysis of data as given in Snedecor and Cochran (1994). SAS software version 9.3., one way ANOVA and Paired t test was used for test of significance for observing the statistical difference between the baseline methane emission and emission after balanced feeding of dairy animals.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Chemical composition of feeds and fodders

The data for proximate composition and calcium and phosphorus content of feeds and fodders samples were found to be within normal range.

Milk production

There is a significant potential for increasing milk production to achieve the genetic potential of dairy animals in India. Milk production potential from ruminants is linked to genetic merit, balanced nutrition and good management practices. If a dairy

animal with high genetic merit for milk production is fed rations that are unable to meet her nutritional requirements, she will not produce milk as per her potentials. Feeding nutritionally balanced rations play a vital role in realization of the genetic potential of dairy animal for milk production.

The average daily milk yield and milk fat (%) of all 37 buffaloes, before and after feeding a balanced ration is presented in Table 1 and depicted as Figure 1. In the present study, the average daily milk yield before ration balancing was 8.68 kg, which increased significantly ($P < 0.05$) to 9.11 kg after feeding a balanced ration in buffaloes. Similarly, milk fat content increased significantly from 6.79 to 7.02% after feeding a balanced ration.

Similar to our findings, improvement in milk yield due to supplementation of limiting nutrients in dairy animals has been reported by many authors in developing countries (Dutta *et al.*, 2010; Khochare *et al.*, 2010). A study conducted by Garg *et al.* (2013a) in 12,518 lactating animals showed that the implementation of balanced feeding approach under field conditions improved ($P < 0.05$) daily milk yield by 2 - 14% and its fat content by 0.2 – 15% in cows and buffaloes, and at the same time decreasing ration cost by 5 - 11%. The average increase in net daily income of farmers has been reported to increase by 6 - 60% per animal on account of the increase in milk yield and milk fat content, as well as decrease in cost of feeding.

Methane emissions

Enteric methane emissions are closely related to the feeding regime, particularly feed quantity and quality, and ultimately the productivity of dairy animal. The fraction of feed converted to CH₄ emissions generally decreases as both the amount of feed intake and the feed quality increases (US EPA, 2006). Improper feeding not only leads to productivity losses but also increases emission of pollutants in the form of methane, nitrogen and phosphorus release in soil, water and environment (IAEA, 2008). Mekonnen and Hoekstra (2012) reported that the achieving higher milk production from the same amount of feeds would also decrease carbon footprint of milk.

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In the present study, average daily methane emission was 214.59 and 192.73 g in buffaloes before and after feeding a balanced ration, respectively (Table 1 and Figure 2). Average methane emission in terms of g/ kg milk yield was reported as 25.51 in before ration balancing, whereas, it was reduced to 21.63 after feeding a balanced ration in buffaloes. The results indicated that the balanced feeding significantly reduced average methane emission (g/kg milk yield) by about 15.21% in lactating buffaloes.

Similar to present findings, Mohini and Singh (2010) also reported lower methane emissions (197.5 vs 223.4 g/day and 29.9 vs 40.0 g/kg milk yield) after balancing the ration of cows. The NDDB has undertaken various methane measurement studies in different agro-climatic regions of the country, using sulfur hexafluoride tracer technique. Methane emission measurements were carried out in early lactating cows (n=80) and buffaloes (n=82), before and after feeding a balanced ration. The methane emissions reduction on feeding a balanced ration was measured per kg of milk production. The study (Garg *et al.*, 2014) indicated that balanced feeding has reduced methane emissions (g/kg milk yield) by 17.3% (P<0.05) and 19.5% (P<0.01) in lactating cows and buffaloes, respectively.

A methane emission measurement study conducted by Kannan *et al.* (2011) in Chittoor district of Andhra Pradesh state revealed that by feeding a balanced ration, methane emission in terms of g/kg milk yield reduced significantly by 15.35% (P<0.05) in lactating crossbred cows (n=30). A study in Banaskantha district in Gujarat State revealed that methane emission (g/kg milk yield) reduced significantly by 13.45% (P<0.05) in crossbred cows (Garg *et al.*, 2013b). Enteric methane emission was reduced by 19.5% in lactating buffaloes (n=61) after feeding a balanced ration in different parts of the country (Sherasia *et al.*, 2014). Sherasia *et al.* (2016) also reported that ration balancing helps in reducing methane emission by 18.1% (g/kg milk yield) in lactating cows.

In the present study, balancing of protein, energy and minerals might have shifted the rumen fermentation pattern towards higher microbial cell production, resulting in lower acetate and butyrate production, on account of higher propionate production, thereby reducing methane emissions. Changing the plane of nutrition

through a balanced nutrient approach might have improved nutrient digestibility and thus reduced methane production. A greater efficiency of microbial protein synthesis and a higher proportion of propionate relative to acetate reduced digestive carbon losses through methane.

The Present findings indicate that there is significant effect of ration balancing on improving milk yield and reducing methane emission in buffaloes, suggesting the positive impact of ration balancing under field conditions. Thus, ration balancing helped in improving productivity of dairy animals while reducing enteric methane emission in western region of India.

Table 1. Effect of ration balancing on milk production and methane emissions in buffaloes (n=37)

Parameters	Before RBP	After RBP	% change
Milk yield (kg/day)	8.68 ^a ± 0.28	9.11 ^b ± 0.27	+4.95
Milk fat (%)	6.79 ^a ± 0.08	7.02 ^b ± 0.07	+3.39
Methane emission (g/day)	214.59 ^b ± 8.61	192.73 ^a ± 6.03	-10.19
Methane emission (g/kg MY)	25.51 ^b ± 1.21	21.63 ^a ± 0.81	-15.21

a,b (P<0.05)

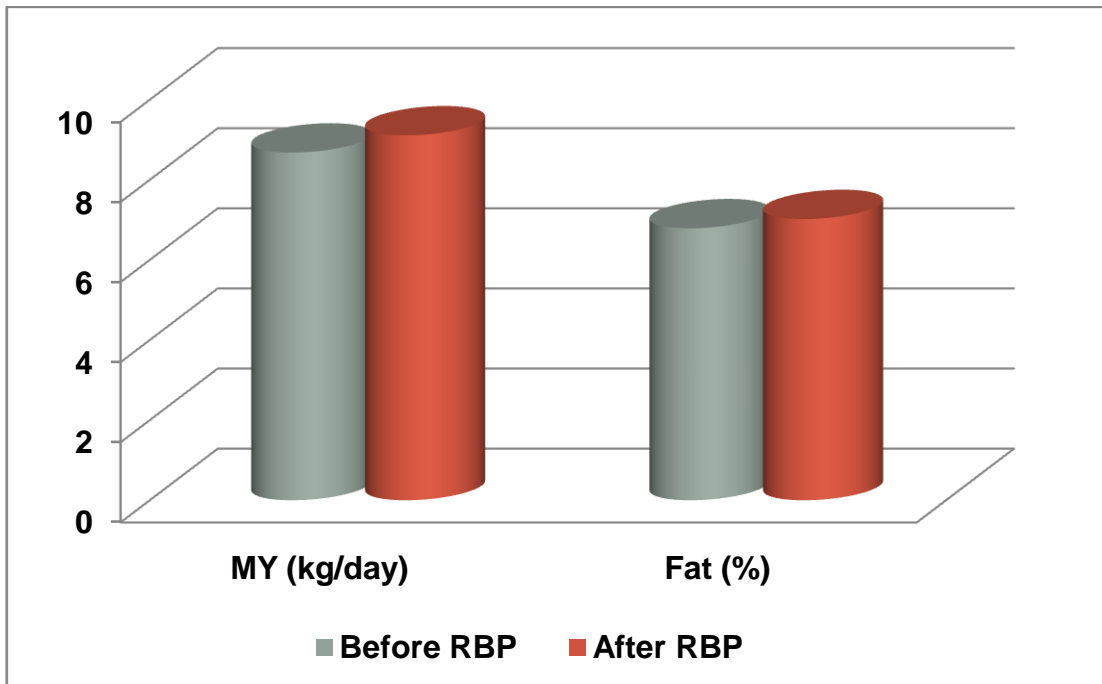


Figure 1. Effect of ration balancing on milk production

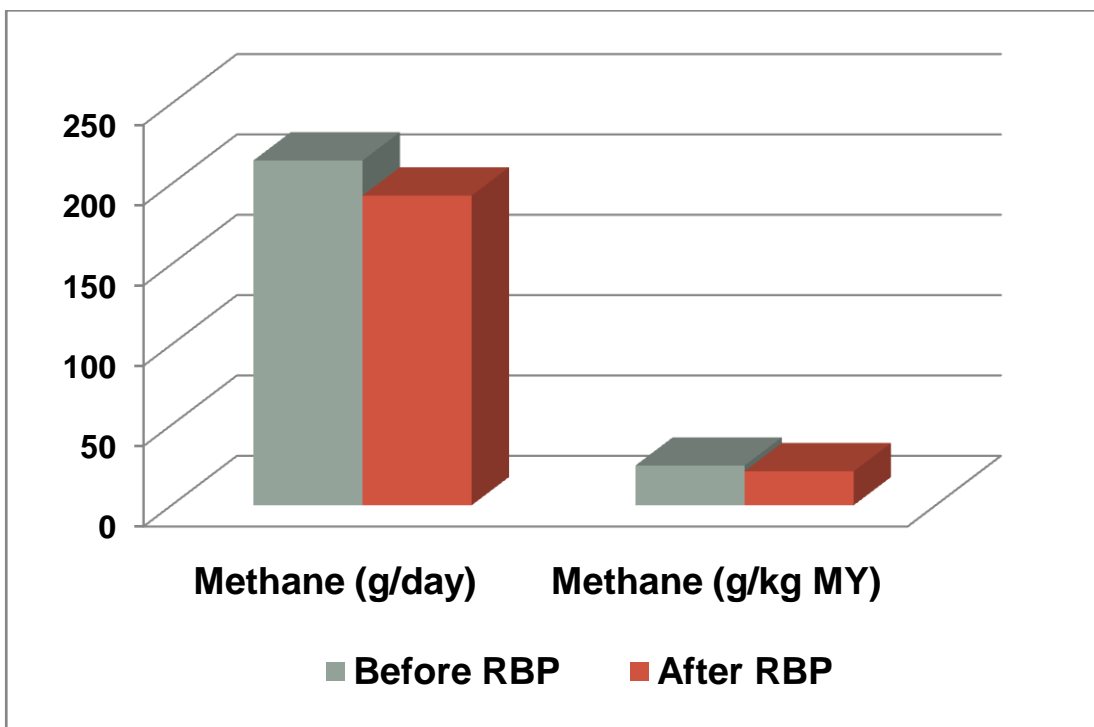


Figure 2. Effect of ration balancing on methane emissions

LIMITATIONS OF THE STUDY

- High variation in SF₆ release rate from the permeation tubes may affect the results of methane emission. There is a wide variation in methane estimation values within the animals selected for the study, at any given time. A small error might result in variation in calculation of methane release from the animals.
- The participating farmers have apprehensions about the adverse effects on the health and well being of their animals in future on account of insertion of permeation tube in the rumen. This needs a lot of persuasion of farmers. There is always a possibility of some of them backing out of the study. Therefore, it is prudent to take more number of farmers in the beginning in order to have sufficient observations.

FUTURE POSSIBILITIES OF RESEARCH IN THE AREA

The studies on methane emissions from other species of animal viz. indigenous and crossbred cows, sheep and goats be taken up.

CONCLUSION

The present study demonstrated that the ration balancing improved milk production with concomitant decrease in the enteric methane emission in lactating buffaloes under field conditions.

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Annexure I

Requirement, availability and recommended nutrients (g) using ration balancing software for experimental buffaloes (n=37)

Sr. No.	Ear tag No.	Nutrients	Nutrient requirement	Nutrient available from feed	Surplus/ Deficiency	Recommended nutrients
1	340055645342	TDN	9850	9020	-830.00	10356.01
		CP	1993.50	1588	-405.50	1993.54
		Ca	75.40	46.06	-29.34	75.40
		P	46.45	28.69	-17.76	51.83
2	340004619164	TDN	6870	5905	-965	6869.94
		CP	1359	1034.50	-324.50	1358.98
		Ca	51.28	30.77	-20.51	55.61
		P	31.25	15.10	-16.15	31.21
3	340004619563	TDN	7130	6582.50	-547.50	7129.82
		CP	1372	1142.50	-229.50	1371.93
		Ca	54.20	32.06	-22.14	56.76
		P	32.55	16.86	-15.69	32.52
4	340055090116	TDN	6244	3890	-2354	6244.08
		CP	1256	1297.50	41.50	1276.12
		Ca	44.90	10.96	-33.94	53.43
		P	28.52	7.69	-20.83	28.52
5	340055090138	TDN	8040	8732	692	8301.26
		CP	1577	1562	-15	1577.05
		Ca	61.40	39	-22.40	61.32
		P	37.40	31.39	-6.01	41.93
6	340055645136	TDN	6410	6132	-278	6409.77
		CP	1235	1484	249	1281.62
		Ca	46.93	22.97	-23.96	46.90
		P	28.75	35.42	6.67	33.45

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Sr. No.	Ear tag No.	Nutrients	Nutrient requirement	Nutrient available from feed	Surplus/ Deficiency	Recommended nutrients
7	340004619404	TDN	6940	8116.50	1176.50	6939.96
		CP	1380	1528.50	148.50	1379.98
		Ca	52.20	29.96	-22.25	53.58
		P	32.20	17.43	-14.77	32.16
8	340004619483	TDN	8140	8315	175	8140.04
		CP	1690	1396	-294	1690.04
		Ca	63.70	37.64	-26.06	63.69
		P	38.70	21.70	-17	39.53
9	340004619506	TDN	7080	7880	800	7427.39
		CP	1394	1296	-98	1394.02
		Ca	53.60	35.04	-18.56	53.69
		P	32.90	21.20	-11.70	34.82
10	340004619756	TDN	7380	10210	2830	7380
		CP	1435	2213	778	1434.96
		Ca	56.60	39.15	-17.45	61.02
		P	33.90	32.80	-1.10	33.91
11	340004619778	TDN	7100	8173	1073	7100.17
		CP	1504	1615	111	1504.02
		Ca	52.80	22.09	-30.71	52.90
		P	33.20	19.71	-13.49	35.93
12	340004619825	TDN	9680	8885	-795	9679.80
		CP	1983	2556	573	2015.44
		Ca	77.80	23.85	-53.95	77.77
		P	45.70	27.29	-18.41	53.90
13	340004619916	TDN	6770	7463	693	8158.03
		CP	1351	801	-550	1351.01
		Ca	51.60	14.89	-36.71	51.69
		P	31.90	9.33	-22.57	34.08

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Sr. No.	Ear tag No.	Nutrients	Nutrient requirement	Nutrient available from feed	Surplus/ Deficiency	Recommended nutrients
14	340019241978	TDN	8080	6835	-1245	8080.12
		CP	1646	1389	-257	1881.37
		Ca	63.20	26.95	-36.25	63.16
		P	38.30	17.01	-21.29	44.92
15	340055645216	TDN	6800	7177.50	377.50	6881.06
		CP	1380	1776.50	396.50	1379.97
		Ca	50.45	34.06	-16.39	51
		P	31.50	35.69	4.19	31.46
16	340004619472	TDN	7080	7880	800	7427.39
		CP	1394	1296	-98	1394.02
		Ca	53.60	35.04	-18.56	53.69
		P	32.90	21.20	-11.70	34.82
17	340004619494	TDN	7080	7880	800	7427.39
		CP	1394	1296	-98	1394.02
		Ca	53.60	35.04	-18.56	53.69
		P	32.90	21.20	-11.70	34.82
18	79196988	TDN	11790	12218	428	11790.19
		CP	2432	2455	23	2432.13
		Ca	79.8	52.01	-27.79	107.55
		P	54.4	30.48	-23.92	54.35
19	79198622	TDN	9300	10715	1415	9299.98
		CP	1920	1896	-24.0	1919.94
		Ca	72.8	54.6	-18.2	87.73
		P	44.8	24.43	-20.37	44.81
20	79198132	TDN	9300	10715	1415	9299.98
		CP	1920	1896	-24.0	1919.94
		Ca	72.8	54.6	-18.2	87.73
		P	44.8	24.43	-20.37	44.81

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Sr. No.	Ear tag No.	Nutrients	Nutrient requirement	Nutrient available from feed	Surplus/ Deficiency	Recommended nutrients
21	79197047	TDN	8260	9905	1645	8260.34
		CP	1664	1832	168	1664.12
		Ca	63.32	50.93	-12.27	77.06
		P	39.2	23.35	-15.85	39.19
22	79198883	TDN	7220	7249	29	7220
		CP	1408	1745	337.5	1408
		Ca	53.6	32.86	-20.74	61.63
		P	33.6	18.4	-15.2	33.64
23	79197014	TDN	6580	5947.5	-630.25	6580.39
		CP	1268	1129.25	-138.75	1268.12
		Ca	48.8	24.34	-24.46	48.7
		P	30.2	15.26	-14.94	31.91
24	79197344	TDN	6580	5974.5	-630.25	6580.39
		CP	1268	1129.25	-138.75	1268.12
		Ca	48.8	24.34	-24.46	48.7
		P	30.2	15.26	-14.94	31.91
25	79198360	TDN	5580	5031	-549	5580.45
		CP	1016	1101	85.5	1016.17
		Ca	39.2	19.37	-19.83	47.16
		P	24.8	7.02	-17.78	24.78
26	79197492	TDN	7494	5178	-402	5579.9
		CP	1016	1071.5	55.5	1016.01
		Ca	39.2	24.19	-15.01	46.73
		P	24.8	10.91	-13.89	24.82
27	79198267	TDN	6940	7686	746	7265.43
		CP	1380	1078.5	-301.5	1380.05
		Ca	52.2	36.71	-15.49	52.3
		P	32.2	19.58	-12.62	32.26

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Sr. No.	Ear tag No.	Nutrients	Nutrient requirement	Nutrient available from feed	Surplus/ Deficiency	Recommended nutrients
28	79197138	TDN	9260	9635	375	9260.11
		CP	1867	2426	559	1867.06
		Ca	73	52.67	-20.33	90.57
		P	43.40	34.08	-9.32	43.40
29	79197311	TDN	9900	10040	140	9899.73
		CP	2005	2462	457	2004.85
		Ca	77.80	55.37	-22.43	96.32
		P	46.80	34.51	-12.29	46.75
30	79198735	TDN	7880	7430	-450	7880.14
		CP	1561	1244	-317	1561.04
		Ca	61.4	34.54	-26.86	61.31
		P	36.6	28.04	-8.56	45.91
31	79197652	TDN	10768	10850	82	10768
		CP	2303	2534	231	2714.29
		Ca	89.5	60.77	-28.73	89.49
		P	52.24	35.38	-16.86	61.71
32	79198928	TDN	6856	5623	-1233	6856.14
		CP	1309	1412	103	1433.12
		Ca	51.80	32.22	-19.58	51.71
		P	31.08	17.36	-13.72	31.02
33	79197765	TDN	5960	6765	805	5960.04
		CP	1065	1478.5	413.5	1064.98
		Ca	42.20	43.49	1.29	58.25
		P	26.20	18.14	-8.06	26.24
34	79198724	TDN	8040	8092	52	8040.16
		CP	1577	1885	308	1861.02
		Ca	61.40	35.74	-25.66	61.77
		P	37.40	20.88	-16.52	37.39

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Sr. No.	Ear tag No.	Nutrients	Nutrient requirement	Nutrient available from feed	Surplus/ Deficiency	Recommended nutrients
35	79197617	TDN	9160	8720	-440	9189.92
		CP	1917	1768	-149	1916.95
		Ca	73.60	41.47	-32.13	76.61
		P	43.60	21.74	-21.86	43.62
36	79197776	TDN	7380	7910	530	7380.22
		CP	1435	1704	269	1435.02
		Ca	56.6	37.8	-18.80	59.88
		P	33.9	20.66	-13.24	33.95
37	79198974	TDN	6952	6733	-219	6952.06
		CP	1315	1497	182	1315.02
		Ca	51.80	43.96	-7.84	67.23
		P	31.56	18.12	-13.44	31.53



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