

The farming of animals has played an important part in the development of human civilization. Food, clothing and transport are obtained by man from a wide variety of species. In addition to being such a resource, farm animals have long been treated as companions and viewed with affection by those jobs it was to care for them. The species which were domesticated had to be suitable for providing meat, milk, eggs, wool etc. but they also had to have certain behavioural characteristics in order that domestication was possible. Many of the current animal husbandry problems are not soluble by investigatory, nutrition, body physiology or disease control but require investigation of the behaviour of these animals before progress can be made towards a solution.

There is a close relation between behaviour of animal and its management; good management results in normal behaviour. On the contrary, bad management or even any defect in animal management will lead to appearance of abnormal behaviour and so the latter is considered as an indicator of bad management.