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Agricultural extension workers from Paraguay receive training at OUAVM

From Monday, October 9 to Saturday, October 21, Agricultural extension workers from Paraguay received training in milk cow management at OUAVM as part of the program of Enhancement of Agricultural Training Center and Support for Human Resource Development for Promotion of Dairy Farming in the Eastern Region of Paraguay. The program has been implemented since July 2016 as an advanced version of the JICA Paraguay Partnership Program (technical support for the improvement of dairy skills in the eastern edge upland farming area), which was implemented from July 2011 to June 2016.

This program aims at developing local farmers, and the improvement of the knowledge and experience of local agricultural extension workers strengthens the agricultural guidance system. Accordingly, OUAVM created a training program that includes lectures on dairy management, herd management and the use of milk quality tests as well as a tour of related facilities, and invited the agricultural extension workers to attend.

On Wednesday, October 18, they received a lecture on nutrition and reproduction management for peripartum milk cows by Chiho Kawashima, an associate professor of the Field Center of Animal Science and Agriculture. After that, on the assumption that the center is a local farm, they used a check sheet to check the management conditions of milk cows, feed and other matters and learned how to give guidance for improvement.



Trainees check the management conditions of calves.