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ABSTRACT

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Keywords: Adoption, crop residue, fodder, Maros

1. INTRODUCTION

Generally, in Indonesia, smallholder beef farmers hold~~ing~~ a limited number of livestock, approximately 2-3 heads in total (Directorate General of Livestock, 2014). The smallholder beef farmers face ~~to~~ many obstacles to increase their numbers of livestock. In the ~~P~~past 10 years (2003-2013), extensive pasture did not increase and only 3.05 million hectares are available, concentrated in a few provinces (CBS, 2014). Arable grassland is relatively limited and the nutritive values of forage crops vary ~~among~~ betweenseasons, with significant qualitative and quantitative drops in the dry season. Native pastures provide herbage production for cattle. However, this function has significantly decreased due to the shift of function from native pasture to horticulture and crop fields or settlements, resulting in a shortage of herbage production (Haryanto, 2009). Thus, the utilization of crop residue such as rice-and corn-straw could be an alternative feed supply for~~to the~~ smallholder beef farmers,~~so~~ meaning that the numbers of livestock can be increased.

The ~~U~~utilization of crop residue ~~as feed~~ such as~~,~~ rice- and corn-straw as feed is a well-known method. In India, the use of cereals for dairy cattle feed reached 45-66% (Kelley and Parthasarathy Rao 1996; Ranjhan 1999; Parthasarathy Rao and Hall 2003), while ~~in Indonesia,~~ rice straw for beef cattle reached 31-39%in Indonesia. Since 2000, Agricultural Research Organizations have introduced ~~some of~~ the Crop Livestock System~~,~~(CLS program;(integrated rice/corn beef?) in several provinces, ~~included~~ including~~in~~ South Sulawesi (Diwyanto 2008; Sariubang and Pasambe, 2005; Baba *et al*, 2013). However, the utilization of straw as feed causes~~becomes in~~ shortages and ~~the~~ smallholder beef farmers~~did~~ do not often ~~storage~~ store this~~it~~ as feed reserves for the ~~next~~ following season (Devendra, 1997; Haryanto *et al*., 2003). Even in agricultural intensification land which ~~that~~ produces ~~in~~ high biomass, feed for beef cattle is relatively limited (Ralevic *et al*., 2010; Valbuena *et al*., 2012).

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Maros is one of the districts in South Sulawesi that is well known either as a center of rice crops or for Bali beef cattle development. In 2015, the rice harvest area reached 47,648 ha with Bantimurung districts accounting for the most: 18.31% (CBS, 2015). In 2007-2011, Farmer Empowerment through Agriculture Technology Information(FEATI) encouraged smallholder beef farmers to use rice- and corn-straw as feed. Further, in 2012-2013, Hasanuddin University, Unhas useda participatory approach to develop the technology. Not only did researchers, extension workers, and small beef farmers identifyfeed potential, but they also conducted experiments at the farmer level. After the experiments, the smallholder beef farmers evaluated the technologies that hadbeen developed and decided whether to adopt the technology or not (Rhoades and Boath, 1982; He *et al*., 2009; Sewell *et al*., 2014). The participation of extension workers not only increases access to resources (Ngoc Chi *et al*., 2007), but also the adoption of the technology (Atmis *et al*., 2009; Bremer *et al*., 2014). However, in Maros, adoption of the use of crop residue as feed is still limited. Only 62.5% of the farmers have reported adopting the use of corn-straw, while 32.5% are adopting the use of rice-straw as feed (Baba *et al*., 2013).

The adoption of crop residues as feed has been influenced by several social, economic, and technical factors;for example, discomfort in conducting the processing of crop residue (Nguyen Xuan Trach 2004); unclear economic benefits (Nguyen Xuan Trach, 2004; Gillers *et al*., 2009); labor shortages for the processing of straw as feed; and a lack of knowledge about the processing of straw (Baba *et al*., 2013; Mudzengi *et al*., 2014). It also includes the cost of implementation and expected benefits. Interest from smallholder beef farmers and their perceptions, as well as demographic characteristics, have been a factor (Giller *et al*. 2011; Oladele 2005). Socioeconomic factors were the main determinants of the adoption of the technology. Experimentation regardingthe factors that influence the adoption of crop residue as feed has not been undertaken in Maros. This study was therefore conducted to determine the effect of socioeconomic factors on the adoption of crop residue as feed.

2. METHODS

2.1 Data Collection

This research was conducted in Maros District, South Sulawesi. The selected site is a well-known center for the production of rice crops, corn, and Bali beef cattle in eastern Indonesia.Also, the technological utilization of rice-straw and corn- as feed has been disseminated in some farmer groups by Hasanuddin University, Maros District Government and the Assessment Institute for Agricultural Technology South Sulawesi Province.The technology disseminated includes fermentation and ammoniation of rice-straw and corn-straw and silage of corn stalk. The first-cropping season was rice (December-March), the second was Sticky Corn-1, Pulut, local name(April-June); and the third was Pulut Corn-2 (July-September). Sticky corn is corn that is harvested at a young stage (75 days) for food, meaning that the stalk is still fresh and has high palatability.

Data collection used questionnaires distributed by trained enumerators, andran from March to December 2015. In total, the 487 smallholder beef farmers were spread over three sub-districts: Simbang and Bantimurung (2 villages) and Camba (1 village).Overall, 96 farmers were selected as respondentsfrom each village using quota sampling. In Samangki and Simbang (Sub District Simbang), there were 25 and 20respondents, respectively; in Leang-Leang and Minasa Baji (Sub District Bantimurung) there were 23 and 16respondents, respectively; and in Pattiro Deceng (Sub District Camba), there were 12respondents. The collected data were analyzed using the logit regression model with SPSS 17.00.

The logit regression model was used to determine the factors that influenced the adoption of crop residues as feed. The logit model wasused as the dependent variable was measured by using a dichotomous variable, where 0 means not adopted (unused crop residues feed), and1 means adopted. The logit regression model was as follows:

$$Y = \ln (pi/1\text{-}pi) = \beta_0 + \beta_1X_1 + \beta_2X_2 + \beta_3X_3 + \beta_4X_4 + \beta_5X_5 + \beta_6X_6 + \beta_7X_7 + \beta_8X_8 + \beta_9X_9 + \varepsilon$$

Where:

Y = Opportunity adoption of the utilization of straw as feed (pi = 0 indicates no adoption, pi = 1 indicates adoption)

β0 = Intercept

β1- β7 = Regression coefficients of the dependent variables

X1 = Age,expressed of the length of reviews their life (year)

X2 = Work perception,as a dichotomous variable, where 1 denotes the main work as being a beef cattle farmer, and 0 indicating otherwise

X3 = Farmer expressed experience, reported as the length of their experience as a beef cattle farmer (years)

X4 = Contact with extension workers,expressed as the number of contacts with extension workers (frequency)

X5 = Rice cultivated area,expressed as the number of hectares (ha)

X6 = Number of livestock,expressed as the number of livestock intensively reared (heads)

X7 = Subjective norm,expressed as the perception of beef cattle farmers towards what should be done in view of the surrounding community based on their position (score)

X8 = Technology difficulty, expressed as difficulty in using crop residues feed by beef cattle farmers:1 if the farmer agrees that it is difficult, or 0 if otherwise

X9 = Family size,expressed as number of farmers' family (individuals)

RESULTS

1. Farmer Characteristics

There were no significant differences between age, business experience, the number of families, and the education level of the farmers, whetheradoptersor non-adopters. However, the number of livestock and extensive landholding of adopter farmers is significantly higher than for the non-adopter farmers (Table 1). The number of livestock held increased as the amount of feed given by the farmer increased; therefore, the utilization of rice straw also increased. In contrast, labor availability was not a factor that distinguished between adopters and non-adopters .

2. Farmers' reasons to adopt and not adopt

There were many reasons why smallholder beef farmers adopted the utilization of crop residue such as corn-straw as feed (Table 2). Firstly, there was no shortage of land fodder or herbage production; secondly, corn-straw increases with the increase in harvesting season and availability; and thirdly, the number of livestock was increasing.

The main reason for smallholder beef farmers not adoptingstraw as feed wasthe availability of other feed sources such as Napiergrass and native grass (Table 3).Those smallholder beef farmers planting Napiergrass close to their cattle pen found it easy to harvest. In addition, the livestock were grazing in the pasture with native grass twice, one in the morning and once in the afternoon. Also, it requires labor to collect corn- and rice-straw and there is often no feed storage available. Rice- and corn-harvesting requires time that the farmers do not have, and the same is true forrice-or corn-straw

. Jabbar *et al.* (2009) stated that labor is one of the factors why farmers did not adopt the utilization of crop residue as feed.

Factors affecting farmers adopting crop residue as feed

The results of the overall correct prediction (88.7%) and Chi square statistics (93,742) show that the models have the ability to predict the chance of adoption of the utilization of rice-straw and corn; the results were high in Maros district. R square (0709) showed 70.9% variation in the dependent variables,as determined by the selected independent variables. Wald indication stated that contact with the extension (12 507) and the number of cattle (11,506) were variable, having a greater influence on farmers adopting rice- and corn-straw as feed.

Logitregression analysis shows that six of the nine independent variables had a significant effect on the adoption of straw as feed. The six variables that had a significant effect were: contact with the extension worker (P<0.01), the number of livestock (P<0.01), rice cultivated area (P<0.01), social norms (P<0.01), perception on the farm (P> 0.05) or the level of difficulty processing straw (P<0.05). The variables contact with extension workers, number of livestock, rice cultivated area, social norms and perceptions on the farm had positive regression coefficient values, indicatingthat they had a positive influence on the adoption of straw as feed. On theother hand, the level of difficulty processingstraw showed a negative coefficient. The variables which did not differ significantly regarding the adoption of straw as a feed were age, farmer experience, and the number of families.

DISCUSSION

The adoption of technology for the utilization of straws as feed dependsupon the adequacy of feed for cattle. If the farmers have no alternativesto feed such as grass and pasture, they will use strawas the main feed source (44 respondents). The method used by farmers to manage straw was: 1) no difference in planting spot or harvesting period; 2) cooperatingwith other farmers to plant corn at different times so that they could take advantage of the corn straw together; and 3) cultivatingand storingstraw.

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Contact with extension workersrelates to thefarmer's intention to meet with counselors. Extension workersarean important information source for farmers. The availability of information, especially from extension workers, is a key driver of technology utilization in Maros. Extension workersare not only some of the most important people to provide information to farmers, but also have the adoption keys of the technology (Rogers 2003; Wubeneh and Sanders 2006). They work for the farmers, not only demonstratingthe utilization of the straw as feed, as counselors, and as assistants, but they also recognize and solveproblems (Llewellyn, 2007; Bodorkos and Pataki, 2009). Extension workers demonstrate the utilization of straw as feed through to the plot demonstration and then the farmers continue to practice and evaluate the implementation of this plot demonstration.

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The livestock sector and rice cultivated areas were determined regarding the adoption of crop residue as feed. The number of livestock held increased as the amount of feed increased; therefore, the utilization of straw also increased (Table 2). In order to provide nutrition for livestock, rice straw must firstbe processed (Trach, 2004; Mudzengi, *et al*., 2014). In Maros district, the farmers combine native grass and Napiergrass as feed and give supplements; however,they havenot provided straw as feed yet.

CONCLUSION

Factors that influence the adoption of crop residue as feed are shortages in herbage production, the same perception as the extension worker, rice cultivated areas, livestock numbers, norms, and the level of difficulty in using crop residue as feed. Those farmers who have theirown rice cultivated and land fodder prefer not to utilize straw as feed.

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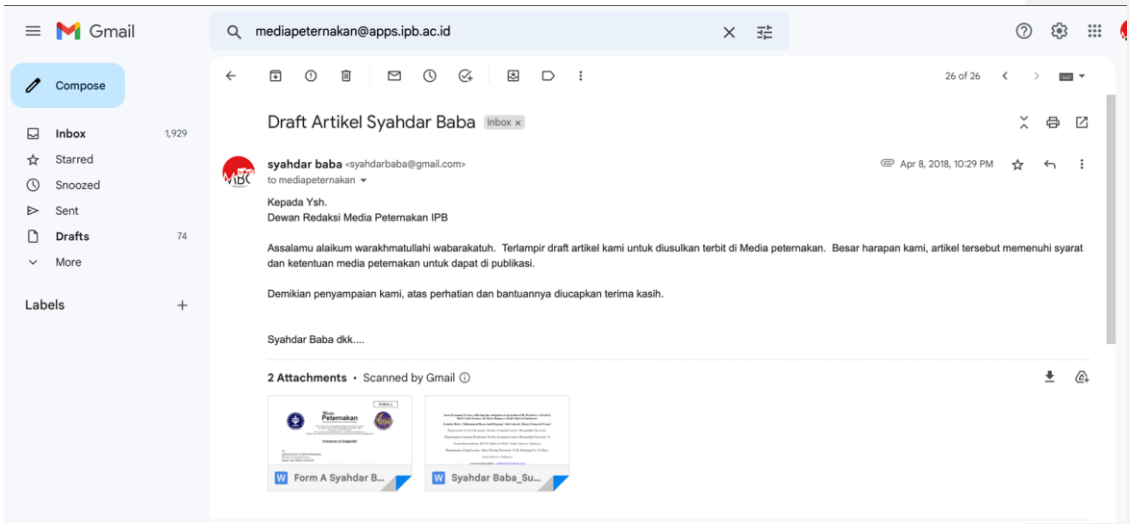

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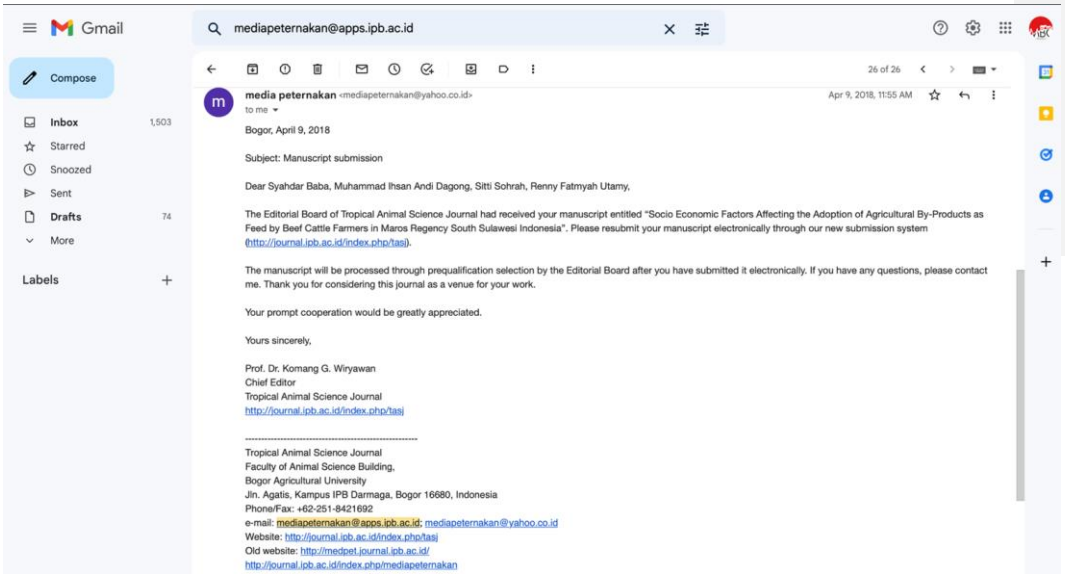

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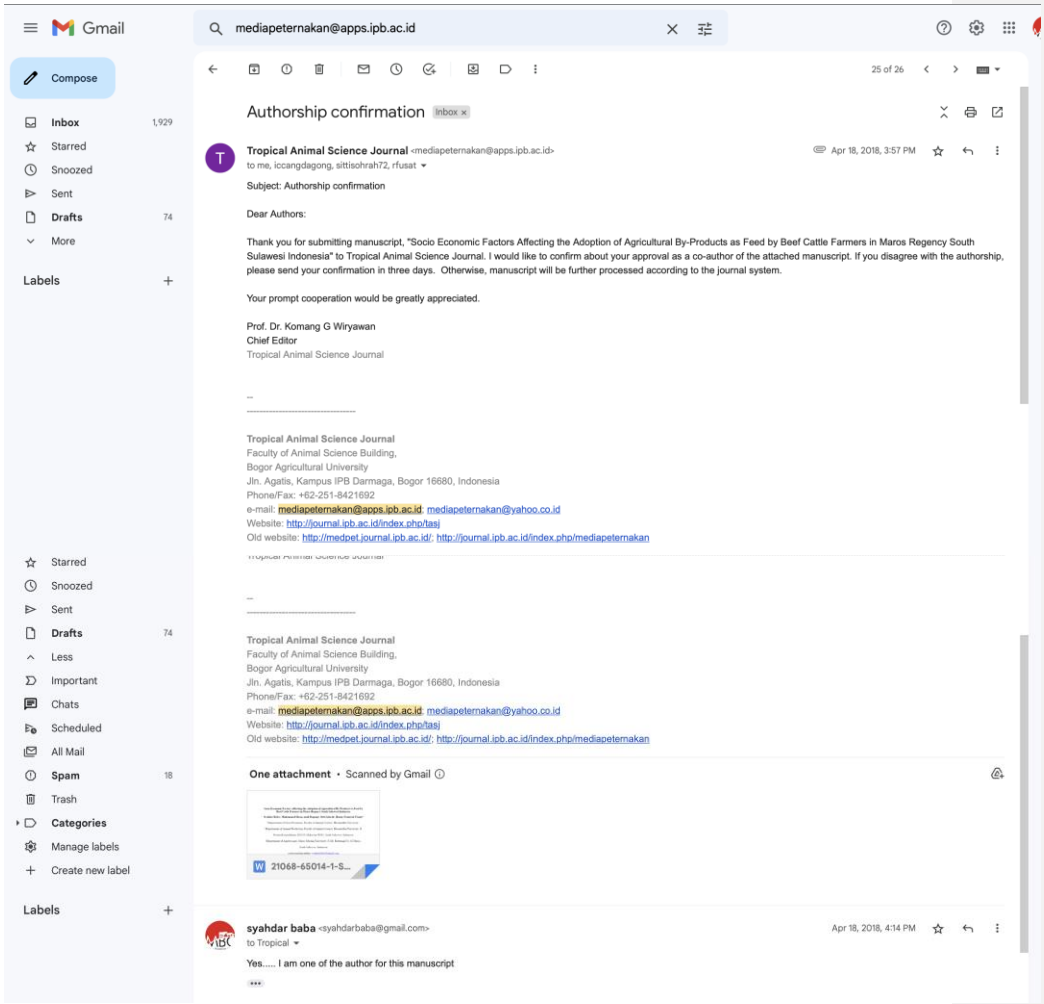

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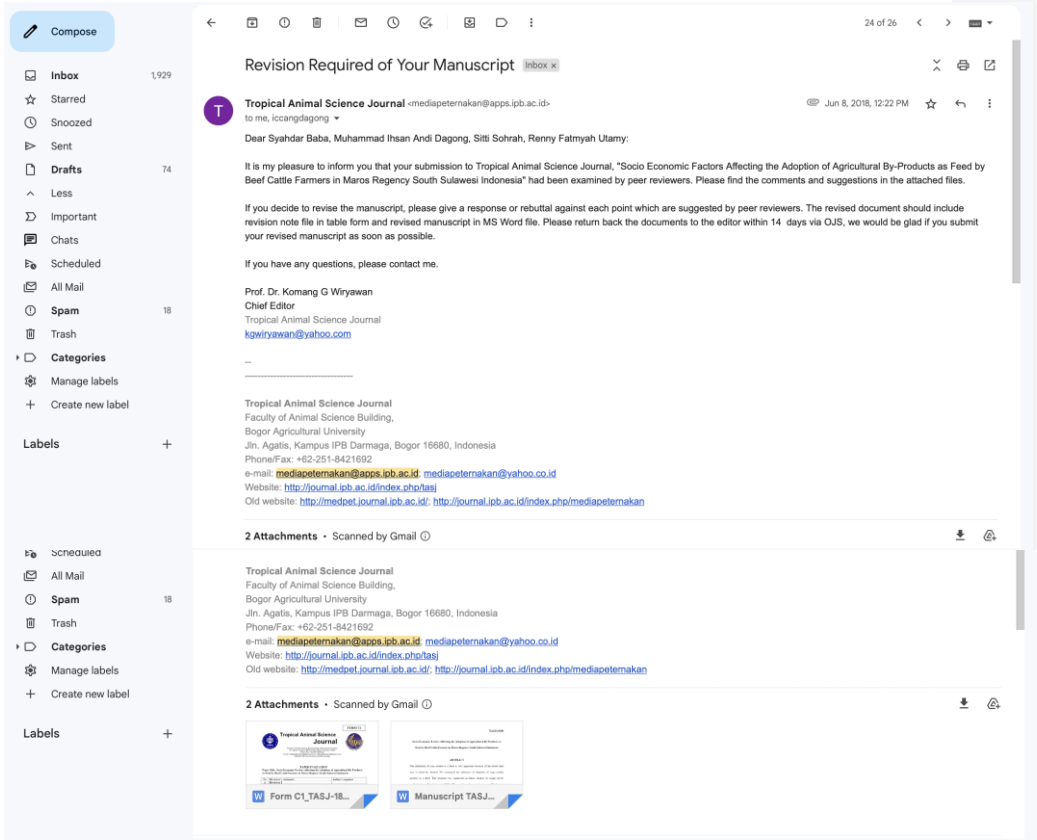

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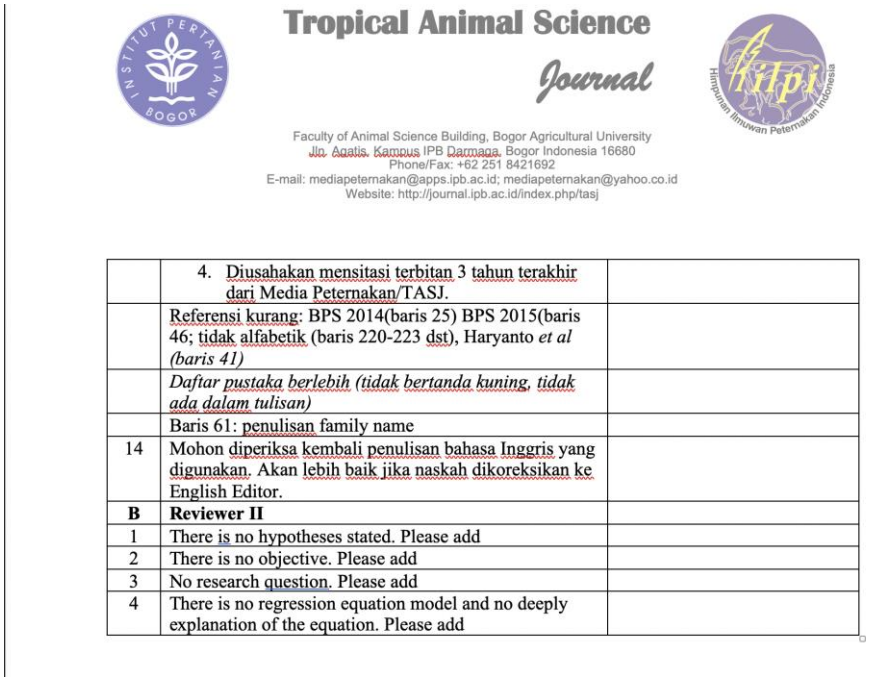

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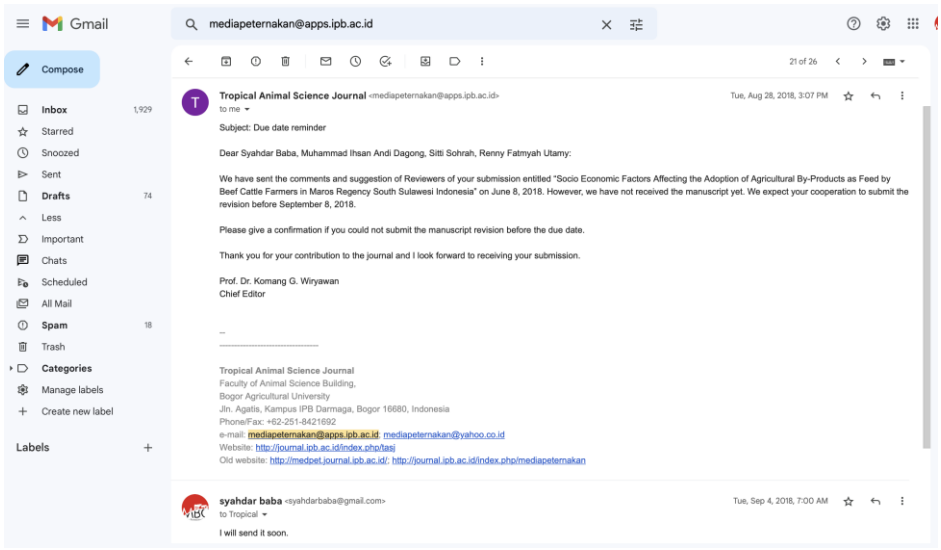

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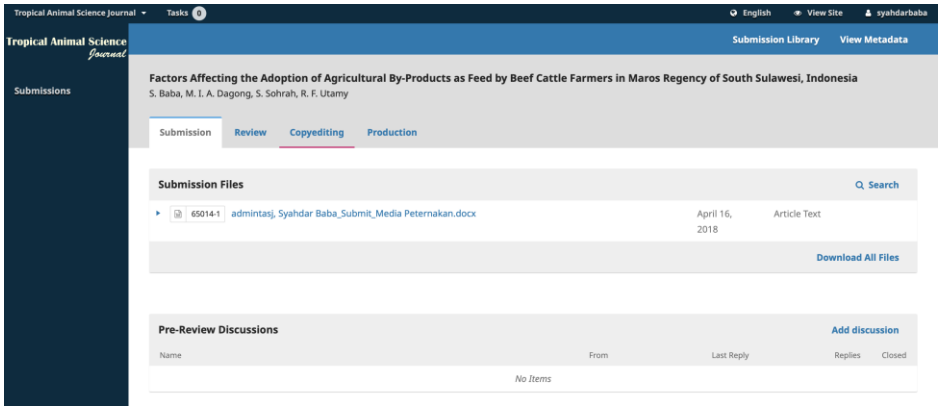

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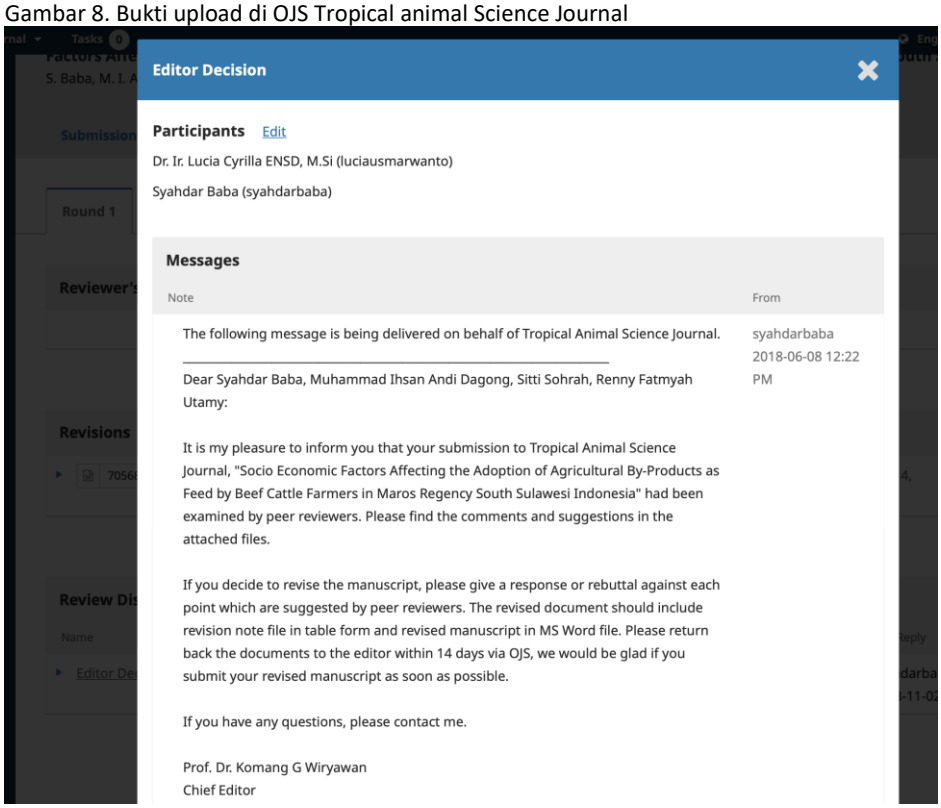

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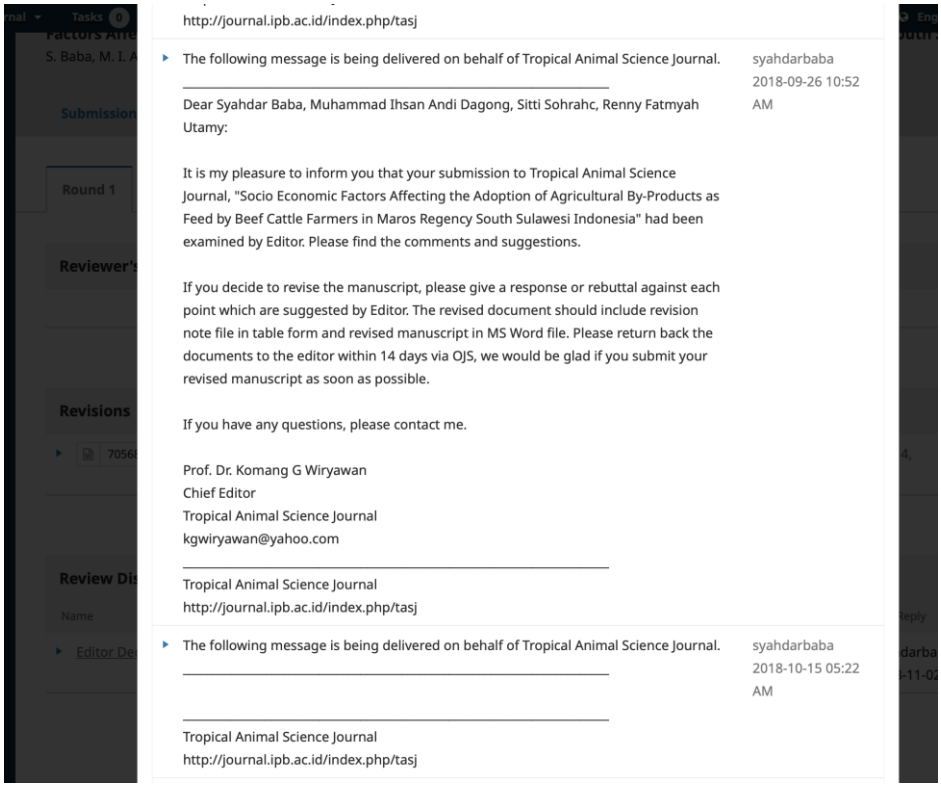

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RESULTS

Farmer Characteristics

There were no significant differences between age, business experience, the number of families, and the education level of the farmers whether adopters or non-adopters. However, the number of livestock and extensive landholding of adopter farmers is significantly higher than that for the non-adopter farmers (Table 1). The number of livestock increased as the amount of feed increased such as rice straw. On the contrary, the availability of labor was not a distinguished factor between adopters and non-adopters.

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Factors Affecting Farmers Adopting Crop Residue as Feed

The results of the overall correct prediction (88.7%) and Chi square statistics (93,742) show that the models have ability to predict the chance of adoption of the utilization of rice- and corn- straw were high in Maros district. R square (0.709) showed that 70.9% variation in the dependent variables, was determined by the selected independent variables. Wald indication stated that contact with the extension (12.507) and the number of cattle (11.506) were variable, having a greater influence on farmers adopting rice- and corn-straw as a feed (Table 4).

Logistic regression analysis showed that six of the nine independent variables had a significant effect on the adoption of straw as a feed. The sixth variables were contact with the extension worker (P<0,01), the number of livestock (P<0,01), paddy cultivated area (P<0,01), social norms (P<0.01), perception on the farm (P< 0.05) or the level of difficulty

processing straw (P<0.05). The variables contact with extension workers, number of livestock, rice cultivated area, social norms and perceptions on the farm had positive regression coefficient values, indicating that they had a positive influence on the adoption of straw as a feed. On the other hand, the level of difficulty processing straw showed a negative coefficient (Table 4). The variables which did not differ significantly regarding the adoption of straw as a feed were age, farmer experience, and the number of families.

Discussion

The adoption of technology by used straws as a feed depends on the adequacy of feed for cattle. If the farmers lack of feed such as grasses, rice- and corn- straw will be used as the main of feed source (44 respondents). The method used by farmers to manage straw as follows: 1) neither planting spot nor harvesting period was same; 2) planted time of corn should be different between farmer for collecting corn-straw; and 3) cultivated and straw storage.

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Contact with extension worker is relates to the farmer's intention to meet with counselors. Extension worker is one of the important information source for farmers. Adequate information especially from extension workers is one of a key driver of technology

utilization in Maros (Rogers 2003; Wubeneh and Sanders 2006). They work for the farmers needed, not only demonstrating the utilization of the straw as a feed, as counselors, and as assistants, but also identified and solved problems (Llewellyn, 2007; Bodorkos and Pataki, 2009).

Social norms was one of factor that encouraged farmers to adopt the utilization of straw as a feed. The smallfarmers who have capability and high commitment will be appointed as a role model and a reference for other farmers (Ajzen 1991; Bergevoet *et al*., 2004).

Livestock sector and paddy field were determined regarding the adoption of crop residue as a feed. The number of livestock increased as the amount of feed increased such as rice straw (Table 2). In order to provide nutrition for livestock, rice straw must be processed first (Nguyen Xuan Trach, 2004; Mudzengi, *et al*., 2014). In Maros district, native grass and napiergrass were combined as a feed and provide supplements, however, they have not provided straw as feed yet.

CONCLUSION

Factors that influence the adoption of crop residue as a feed are shortages in herbage production, the same perception as the extension worker, paddy field, livestock numbers, subjective norms, and the level of difficulty in using crop residue as feed. Those farmers who have their own paddy field and land fodder prefer not to utilize straw as feed.

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Table 1. Characteristics of farmers and business farming by respondents

Variabel	Adopter		Non Adopter	
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Family member (person)^{ns}	4.09	1.21	3.67	1.13
Number of cattle (head)**	3.86	1.17	2.98	0.75
Wide of rice areal (ares)**	49.68	33.37	27.38	18.29
Education level (person)				
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- senior high school	7		9	

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Total of farmers	44	52

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Table 2. Farmer's reasons to using crop residueas feed

Reason of adoption	Score*	Rank
Herbage production becomes in shortage	168	1
Holding limited land fodder	160	2
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Spend of leisure time	69	5

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Varaibel	B	SE	Wald	P-Value
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Difficulty (X8)	-1.246	0.601	4.295	0.038^{*}
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ABSTRACT

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Keywords: adoption, crop residue, fodder, maros

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Generally, in Indonesia, small holder beef farmers hold a limited number of livestock, approximately 2-3 heads in total (Direktorat Jenderal Peternakan, 2015). The smallholder beef farmers face many obstacles to increase their numbers of livestock. In the past 10 years (2003-2013), extensive pasture has not been increased and only 3.05 million hectares are available, concentrated in a few provinces (National Statistical Bureau, 2014). Arable grassland is relatively limited and the nutritive values of forage crops vary between seasons, with significant qualitative and quantitative drops in the dry season. Native pastures provides herbage production for cattle. However, this function has significantly decreased due to the shift of function from native pasture to horticulture and crop fields or settlements, resulting in a shortage of herbage production (Haryanto, 2009). Thus, the utilization of crop residues such as rice and corn straws could be an alternative feed supply for smallholder beef farmers; therefore, the number of their livestock can be increased.

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Family member (person)	4.09	1.21	3.67	1.13	0.914^{ns}
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Wide of rice areal (ares)	49.68	33.37	27.38	18.29	0.003**
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- university	1		0		
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Keywords: adoption, crop residue, fodder, maros

INTRODUCTION

Generally, in Indonesia, small holder beef farmers hold a limited number of livestock, approximately 2-3 heads in total (Direktorat Jenderal Peternakan, 2015). The smallholder beef farmers face many obstacles to increase their numbers of livestock. In the past 10 years (2003-2013), extensive pasture did not increase and only 3.05 million hectares are available, concentrated in a few provinces (National Statistical Bureau, 2014). Arable grassland is relatively limited and the nutritive values of forage crops vary between seasons, with significant qualitative and quantitative drops in the dry season. Native pastures provides herbage production for cattle. However, this function has significantly decreased due to the shift of function from native pasture to horticulture and crop fields or settlements, resulting in a shortage of herbage production (Haryanto, 2009). Thus, the utilization of crop residue such as rice-and corn-straw could be an alternative feed supply for smallholder beef farmers, therefore the number of their livestock can be increased.

Utilization of crop residue such as rice- and corn-straw as a feed is a well-known methods. In India, crop residue obtained 50-60% of total feed so that breeding strategy towards the development of dual-purposes plant types could increase the adoption of improved varieties (Rao and Hall 2003), while in Indonesia rice-straw is used reaches 31-39%. Since 1990-2000, Indonesian Agency for Agricultural Research and Development, Ministry of Agriculture, has introduced the Crop Livestock System, (CLS program; integrated rice/corn beef) in several provinces, including South Sulawesi (Diwyanto 2008; Sariubang and Pasambe, 2005; Baba et al, 2014). However, the utilization of straw as feed has shortages and smallholder beef farmers do not often store this as a feed reserves for the following season (Rao and Hall, 2003; Haryanto et al.,

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Maros is one of the districts in South Sulawesi that is well known either as a center of rice crops or for Bali beef cattle development. In 2015, the rice harvest area reached 47,648 ha with Bantimurung districts is the highest harvested 18.31% (BPS, 2015). In 2007-2011, Farmer Empowerment through Agriculture Technology Information (FEATI) encouraged smallholder beef farmers to use rice- and corn-straw as a feed. Further, in 2012-2013, a participatory approach is used by University of Hasanuddin to develop the technology. Not only researchers, extension workers, and small beef farmers identify feed potential, but they also conducted experiments at the farmer level. After the experiments, the smallholder farmers evaluated the technologies that had been developed and decided whether to adopt the technology or not (Rhoades and Boath, 1982; He et al., 2009). The participation of extension workers not only increases access to resources (Ngoc Chi et al., 2007) but also the adoption of the technology (Atmis et al., 2009; Bremer et al., 2014). However, in Maros, adoption of crop residue as a feed is still limited. Baba et al. (2014) revealed that utilization of corn- and rice- straw as a feed 63,5% and 32.5% respectively.

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Wide of rice areal (ares)	49.68	33.37	27.38	18.29	0.003**
Education level (person)					
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- senior high school	7		9		
- university	1		0		
Total of farmers	44		52		

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309 **Table 2.** Farmer'sreasons to using crop residueas feed

Reason of adoption	Score*	Rank
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Holding limited land fodder	160	2
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311 respondents).

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313 Table 3. The reason farmers did not adopt the use of rice-straw/corn- as feed

Reason of non adoption	Score	Rank
The sufficient of other feed source	207	1
Pasture	197	2
Labor to collect straw	149	3
No storage place for feed	140	4
Required surcharge to storage straw	87	5

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317 Table 4. Logistic regression coefficients of the factors affecting the adoption of
318 utilization of crop residue as feed.

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Age (X1)	-0.006	0.028	0.048	0.827^{ns}
Work perception (X2)	1.918	0.859	4.988	0.026*
Farmer experience (X3)	0.039	0.099	0.154	0.695 ^{ns}
Contact with extension worker (X4)	2.835	0.802	12.507	0.000**
Rice cultivated area (X5)	0.058	0.022	7.179	0.007**
Number of livestock (X6)	2.328	0.392	11.506	0.001**
Social norm (X7)	1.697	0.638	7.075	0.008**
Difficulty (X8)	-1.246	0.601	4.295	0.038*
Number of family (X9)	0.035	0.336	0.011	0.918^{ns}
Constant	-13.990	3.498	15.993	0.000**

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ABSTRACT

The utilization of crop residue as a feed is very important because the arable land area is relatively limited. We examined the influence of adoption of crop residue product as a feed. The research was conducted in Maros district by using survey methods from March to August 2015. The number of respondents was 96 farmers scattered throughout the districts of Bantimurung and Camba as centers of rice, corn plant, and cattle.Questionnaires were used to collected data conducted by a trained enumerator. Survey was arranged using a logistic regression model to identify socioeconomic factors which have influenced the adoption ofcrop residue as a feed. Work perception (X2), contact with extension workers (X4), rice cultivated areas (X5), number of livestock

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Keywords: adoption, crop residue, fodder, maros

INTRODUCTION

Generally, in Indonesia, smallholder beef farmers hold a limited number of livestock, approximately 2-3 heads in total (Direktorat Jenderal Peternakan, 2015). The smallholder beef farmers face many obstacles to increase their numbers of livestock. In the past 10 years (2003-2013), extensive pasture has not been increasing and only 3.05 million hectares are available, concentrated in a few provinces (National Statistical Bureau, 2014). Arable grassland is relatively limited and the nutritive values of forage crops vary between seasons, with significant qualitative and quantitative drops in the dry season. Native pastures provides herbage production for cattle. However, this function has significantly decreased due to the shift of function from native pasture to horticulture and crop fields or settlements, resulting in a shortage of herbage production (Haryanto,2009). Thus, the utilization of crop residues such as riceand cornstraws could be an alternative feed supply for smallholder beef farmers; therefore, the number of their livestock can be increased.

Utilization of crop residues such as rice and corn straws as a feed is a wellknown methods. In India, crop residue reached 50%-60% of total feed so that breeding strategy towards the development of dual-purposes plant types could increase the adoption of improved varieties (Rao & Hall, 2003), while in Indonesia rice straw is used to reaching 31%-39%. Since 1990-2000, Indonesian Agency for Agricultural Research and Development, Ministry of Agriculture, has introduced the Crop Livestock System, (CLS program; integrated rice/corn beef) in several provinces, including South Sulawesi (Haryanto, 2009; Winarso & Basuno, 2013; Baba *et al.*, 2014). However, the utilization of straw as feed causes shortages and smallholder beef farmers do not often store this as a feed reserves for the following season (Haryanto, 2009). Even in agricultural

intensification land which produces high biomass, feed for beef cattle is relatively limited (Ralevic *et al*., 2010; Valbuena *et al*., 2012).

Maros is one of the well known districts in South Sulawesi which is either as a center of rice crops or as Bali beef cattle development center. In 2015, the rice harvest area reached 47,648 ha with Bantimurung districts was the highest in harvest with18.31% (BPS, 2015). In 2007-2011, Farmer Empowerment through Agriculture Technology Information (FEATI) encouraged smallholder beef farmers to use rice and cornstraws as a feed. Furthermore, in 2012-2013, a participatory approach is used by Universityof Hasanuddin to develop the technology. Not only researchers, extension workers, and small beef farmers identify feed potential, but they also conducted experiments at the farmer level. After the experiments, the smallholder farmers evaluated the technologies which had been developed and decided whether to adopt the technology or not (Rhoades & Boath, 1982; He *et al*., 2009). The participation of extension workers increases not only access to resources (Hauser *et al*., 2016) but also the adoption of the technology (Atmis *et al*., 2009; Bremer *et al*., 2014). However, in Maros, adoption of crop residue as a feed is still limited. Baba *et al*. (2014) revealed that utilization of rice and corn straws as a feed 63.5% and 32.5% respectively.

The adoption of crop residues as a feed has been influenced by several social, economic, and technical factors; for example, difficulty in making rice straw compost (Supaporn *et al*., 2013), unclear economic benefits (Giller*et al*., 2009), labor shortages for processing of straw as a feed, and a lack of knowledge about the processing of the straw (Supaporn *et al*., 2013; Baba *et al*., 2014; Mudzengi *et al*., 2014). It also includes the cost of implementation and expected benefits. Interest from smallholder farmers and their perceptions, as well as demographic characteristics, have been a factor (Giller *et*

al., 2009). Socio economic factors were the main factors that are the determinant of technology adoption. The adoption of crop residue utilization as a feed has never been done yet in Maros. Therefore, the objective of this study was conducted to determine the socio-economic impact of farmers to adopt the utilization of crop residues as feed.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Data Collection

This research was conducted in Maros District, South Sulawesi. The selected site is a well-known center for rice crop productions, corn, and Bali beef cattle in Eastern Indonesia. Previously, collaboration between University of Hasanuddin, Maros District Government and the Assessment Institute for Agricultural Technology South Sulawesi Province has been disseminating utilization of rice and corn straws as a feed. The dissemination includes fermentation and ammoniation of rice and corn straws and silage of corn stalk. In this district, December-March is the first cropping of paddy; April-June is the second cropping of sticky corn, *pulut*, local name of sticky corn; and July-September is the third cropping of corn, respectively. *Pulut* was harvested in young stage (70 days); therefore, it has a high palatability.

Data collection used questionnaires which are distributed by trained enumerators, running from March to December 2015. In total, 487 smallholder beef farmers were spread over three sub-districts such as Simbang and Bantimurung (2 villages) and Camba (1 village). Overall, 96 farmers who were selected as respondents from each village using quota sampling. In Samangki and Simbang (Sub District Simbang), there were 25- and 20- respondents, respectively; in Leang-Leang and

Minasa Baji (Sub District Bantimurung) there were 23- and 16-respondents, respectively; and in Pattiro Deceng (Sub District Camba), there were 12-respondents.

Statistical Analysis

Adoption of technology is the decision of farmers to accept or reject technology. The decision to the adoption of technology was influenced by many factors such as environmental factors, smallholder farmers characteristics, socio-economics, farming purposes, biophysics and technology delivery method to the farmers. Dependent variables (i.e. adoption of crop residues technology utilization) measured by using dichotomous model where one means adopted while zero did not. Independent variables were internal factors of farmers, socio economy of the farmers, and biophysical farming. These factors were determined because of the cattle business and paddy field had long been carried out by them even though it has not been well integrated yet. Therefore, whether adopted or not the technology of crop residue utilization depends on internal factors, socio-economic, and the biophysics of their farming

Logistic regression model was used for determining factors that influenced the adoption of crop residues as a feed. Logistic model was used as the dependent variable measured by dichotomous variables, where 0 means not adopted (unused crop residues as a feed), while 1 means adopted (used crop residues as a feed the whole time). The logistic regression model was as follows:

$$Y = \ln (pi/1\text{-}pi) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3 + \beta_4 X_4 + \beta_5 X_5 + \beta_6 X_6 + \beta_7 X_7 + \beta_8 X_8 + \beta_9 X_9 + \varepsilon$$

Where: *Y* is the opportunity adoption of the utilization of straw as feed (pi= 0 indicates no adoption, pi= 1 indicates adoption); *β0* is intercept; *β1-β7* is regression coefficients

of the dependent variables; *X1* is age, expressed of the length of reviews their life (year); *X2* is work perception, as a dichotomous variable, where 1 denotes the main work as being a-beef cattle farmer, and 0 otherwise; *X3* is farmer expressed experience, reported as the length of their experience as a beef cattle farmer (years); *X4* is contact with extension workers, expressed as the number of contacts with extension workers (frequency in 2015); *X5* is rice cultivated area, expressed as the number of hectares (ha); *X6* is number of livestock, expressed as the number of livestock intensively reared (heads); *X7* is subjective norm, expressed as the perception of beef cattle farmers towards what should be done in view of the their community based on their position (score); *X8* is technology difficulty, expressed as difficulty in using crop residues feed by, beef cattle farmers: 1 if the agrees that it is difficult, or 0 if otherwise; and *X9* is family size, expressed as number of farmers' family (individual).

RESULTS

Farmer Characteristics

There were no significant differences between age, business experience, the number of family members, and the education level of the farmers whether adopters or non-adopters. However, the number of livestock and extensive landholding of adopter farmers is significantly higher than that for the non-adopter farmers (Table 1). The number of livestocks increased as the amount of feed increased such as rice straw. On the contrary, the availability of labor was not a distinguished factor between adopters and non-adopters.

Farmer's Reasons to Adopt and Not Adopt

There are many reasons smallholder beef farmers adopting the utilization of crop residue such as corn-straw as a feed (Table 2). First, there was shortage of land fodder

or herbage production. Second, corn-straw increased with the increased in harvesting season. Third, the number of livestocks increased.

Main reason for smallholder beef farmers not adopting straw as a feed because of the availability of other feed sources such as Napiergrass and Native Grass (Table 3). Small holder beef farmers planted Napier grass close to their cattle pen so it was easier for it to beharvested or the livestock could graze on field twice a day. Other than that it was not only require labor collected rice and corn straws, but also the farmers have no free time. Other reason was no available feed storage. Jabbar *et al.* (2009) stated that labor is one of the factors why farmers did not adopt the utilization of crop residue as a feed.

Factors Affecting Farmers Adopting Crop Residue as Feed

The results of the overall correct prediction (88.7%) and Chi square statistics (93,742) show that the models have ability to predict the chance of adoption of the utilization of rice and corn straws were high in Maros district. R square (0.709) showed that 70.9% variation in the dependent variables, was determined by the selected independent variables. Wald indication stated that contact with the extension (12.507) and the number of cattle (11.506) variables were having a greater influence on farmers adopting rice and corn straws as a feed (Table 4).

Logistic regression analysis showed that six out of the nine independent variables had a significant effect on the adoption of straw as a feed. The sixth variables were contact with the extension worker ($P<0.01$), the number of livestock ($P<0.01$), paddy cultivated area ($P<0.01$), social norms ($P<0.01$), perception on the farm ($P<0.05$) and the level of difficulty processing straw ($P<0.05$). Contact with extention workers, number of livestocks, rice cultivated area, social norms and perceptions on the

166 farm had positive regression coefficient values, indicating that they had a positive
167 influence on the adoption of straw as a feed. It means that increased contact with
168 extension agents, the number of cattle, the increase of paddy fields extension, social
169 norm, the higher perception of farming, and the adoption of the use of straw as feed also
170 increased.

171 On the other hand, the level of difficulty processing straw showed a negative
172 coefficient (Table 4). The more difficult in handling rice and corn straws, the lower the
173 level in adopting straw as the feed. The variables which did not differ significantly
174 regarding the adoption of straw as a feed were age, farmer experience, and the number
175 of family member.

176 **DISCUSSION**

177 The adoption of technology by using straws as a feed depends on the adequacy
178 of feed for cattle. If the farmers lacks feeds such as grasses, rice and corn straws, these
179 will be used as the main of feed source (44 respondents). The method used by farmers
180 to manage straw was follows: 1) neither planting spot nor harvesting period was same;
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189 livestock do not adopt straw as a source of feed (Table 1); eventhough, there was

190 shortage in herbage production when compared to the farmers who have large scale
191 farm.

192 Coefficient value of the intensity contact with extension worker was 2.835. The
193 value means, farmer who has a contact with extension higher than other, had
194 opportunity adopted 2.835 times compared to other farmers who did not have any
195 contacts with extension worker. Extension worker is one of the important information
196 sources for farmers. Adequate information especially from extension workers is one of
197 the key drivers of technology utilization in Maros (Rogers 2003; Feola & Binder, 2010).
198 They work for the farmers needs, not only demonstrating the utilization of the straw as a
199 feed, as counselors, and as assistants, but also identified and solved problems (Bodorkos
200 & Pataki, 2009; Hauser *et al*., 2016).

201 The number of livestocks is one of the factors which play an important role in
202 the adoption of the use of crop residue as feed. Variable coefficient of the number of
203 livestock was 2.328. The value means that farmers who have more livestock had
204 opportunity in adopting rice and corn straws as feed doubly compared to farmers who
205 have less livestock. The demand of feed increased through the increase in the number of
206 livestocks. Rice and corn straws are one alternative crop residue to meet the feed
207 demand in Maros district (Table 2). To meet the needs of cattle, rice and corn straws
208 has to be processed before given to cattle because of its poor quality (Haryanto, 2009).
209 Parmawati *et al*. (2018) revealed that regions as the centre of developing food security,
210 such as Pasuruan, is able to support the availability of feed for livestock and the
211 integration programs between livestock and crop.

212 The perception of livestock business is one of the drivers of farmer to adopt
213 utilization of rice straw as feed. The value of variable perception was 1.9, which means

that most perception of farmers towards their farming and, most adopted the formulated rice and corn straws as feed will increase 1.9 times. Farmers whose livestock business as the primary source of their income will maintain their livestock properly through the provision of sustainable feed. For instance rice and corn straws will be collected by the farmers not only in their rush hour but also in their free time. According to Reimer et al. (2012) a good perception is increased by the increase of farmers' motivation through utilization of free time for their farming.

Obstacle factor in adopting rice and corn straws as feed was a high level of difficulty especially when collecting and formulating rice and corn straws. Coefficient level of difficulty was -1.246. The coefficient means it had negative correlation where that the adoption decreased by 1.2 times with the increase of the level of difficulties. The lack of labor and straw barns were the reason for the farmer not adopting the utilization of rice and corn straws as feed (Table 3). Needing a labor to process corn straw however, was of the main factor inhibiting the utilization of corn straw as feed (Mudzengi, 2014).

CONCLUSION

In Maros regency, extension workers play an important role in increasing the adoption of technology by using rice and corn straws as a feed. Likewise, not only the number of livestocks, but also the good perception of the farmers increased along with the increase of feed availability, such as utilization of rice and corn straws. However, it decreased with the increase of labor need and the unavailability of straw barns. Therefore, to increase the adoption of technology by using rice and corn straws as a feed, extension workers must support the farmers' skill.

238 **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

239 The authors declare there is no conflict of interest

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Family member (person)	4.09	1.21	3.67	1.13	0.914^{ns}
Number of cattle (head)	3.86	1.17	2.98	0.75	0.000**
Wide of rice areal (ares)	49.68	33.37	27.38	18.29	0.003**
Education level (person)					
- low (≤ junior high school)	36		43		
- senior high school	7		9		
- university	1		0		
Total of farmers	44		52		

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319 Table 4. Logistic regression coefficients of the factors affecting the adoption of
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Varaibel	B	SE	Wald	P-Value
Age (X1)	-0.006	0.028	0.048	0.827^{ns}
Work perception (X2)	1.918	0.859	4.988	0.026*
Farmer experience (X3)	0.039	0.099	0.154	0.695^{ns}
Contact with extension worker (X4)	2.835	0.802	12.507	0.000**
Rice cultivated area (X5)	0.058	0.022	7.179	0.007**
Number of livestock (X6)	2.328	0.392	11.506	0.001**
Social norm (X7)	1.697	0.638	7.075	0.008**
Difficulty (X8)	-1.246	0.601	4.295	0.038*
Number of family (X9)	0.035	0.336	0.011	0.918^{ns}
Constant	-13.990	3.498	15.993	0.000**

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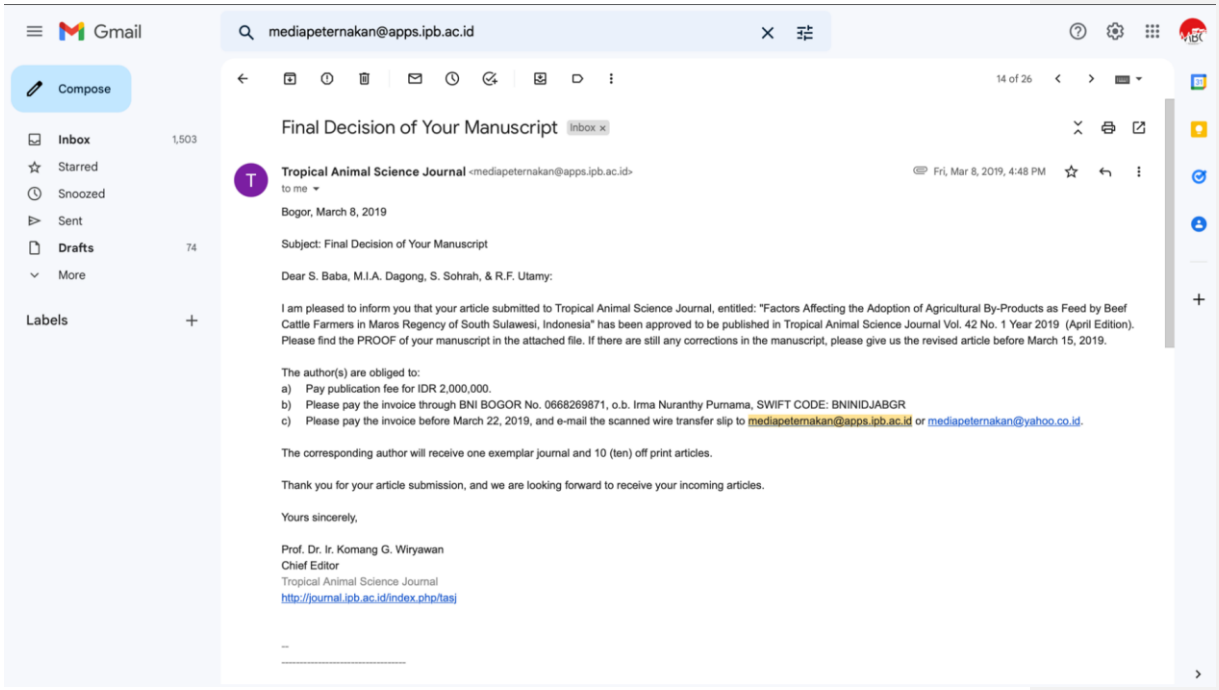

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ABSTRACT

The utilization of crop residue as a feed is very important because the arable land area is relatively limited. The study was aimed to examine the influence of adoption of crop-residue product as a feed. The research was conducted in Maros District by using survey methods from March to August 2015. The number of respondents was 96 farmers scattered throughout the Districts of Bantimurung and Camba as centers of rice, corn plant, and cattle productions. Questionnaires were used to collect data conducted by a trained enumerator. Survey was arranged using a logistic regression model to identify socio economic factors influencing the adoption of crop residue as a feed. Work perception (X2), contact with extension workers (X4), rice cultivated areas (X5), the number of livestock (X6), subjective norm (X7), and difficulty (X8) were socio-economic variables influencing the adoption of crop residue as a feed. However, the variables age (X1), farmer experiences (X3), and the number of family members (X9) had no effect on the adoption of this technology. In conclusion, extension workers play an important role in increasing the adoption of technology by using rice and corn straws as a feed. Likewise, not only the number of livestocks, but also the good perception of the farmers increased along with the increase of feed availability, such as utilization of rice and corn straws.

Keywords: technology adoption; crop residue; fodder; Maros

INTRODUCTION

Generally, in Indonesia, smallholder beef farmers hold a limited number of livestock, approximately 2-3 heads in total (Direktorat Jenderal Peternakan, 2015). The smallholder beef farmers face many obstacles to increase their numbers of livestock. In the past 10 years (2003-2013), extensive pasture had not been increasing and only 3.05 million hectares were available, concentrated in a few provinces (National Statistical Bureau, 2014). Arable grassland is relatively limited and the nutritive values of forage crops vary between seasons, with significant qualitative and quantitative drops in the dry season. Native pastures provide herbage production for cattle. However, this function has significantly decreased due to the shift of function from native pasture to horticulture and crop fields or settlements, resulting in a shortage of herbage production (Haryanto, 2009). Therefore, the utilization of crop residues such as rice and corn straws could be an alternative feed supply for smallholder beef farmers that can support the increase in the number of their livestock.

The utilization of crop residues such as rice and corn straws as a feed is a well- known method. In India, crop residue reached 50%-60% of total feed used so that breeding strategy towards the development of dual-purposes plant types could increase the adoption of improved varieties (Rao & Hall, 2003), while in Indonesia the use of rice straw for animal feed just reached 31%-39%. Since 1990-2000, Indonesian Agency for Agricultural Research and Development, Ministry of Agriculture, introduced the Crop Livestock System, (CLS program; integrated rice/corn beef) in several provinces, including South Sulawesi (Haryanto, 2009; Winarso & Basuno, 2013; Baba *et al.*, 2014). However, the utilization of straw as feed causes shortages of the straw and smallholder beef farmers usually do not store the straw as a feed reserve for the following season (Haryanto, 2009). Even in the agricultural intensification land which produces high biomasses, the availability of feed for beef cattle is relatively limited (Ralevic *et al.*, 2010; Valbuena *et al.*, 2012).

Maros is one of the well-known districts in South Sulawesi which is either as a center of rice crops or as a Bali beef cattle development center. In 2015, the rice harvest area reached 47,648 ha with Bantimurung District had the highest harvest area i.e., 18.31% (BPS, 2015). In 2007-2011, Farmer Empowerment through

Agriculture Technology Information (FEATI) encouraged smallholder beef farmers to use rice and corn straws as feeds. Furthermore, in 2012-2013, a participatory approach was used by the University of Hasanuddin to develop the technology. The researchers, extension workers, and smallholder beef farmers not only identified the feed potential, but they also conducted some experiments at the farmer level. After the experiments, the smallholder farmers evaluated the technologies which had been developed and decided whether to adopt the technology or not (Rhoades & Boath, 1982; He *et al*., 2009). The participation of extension workers not only increases the access to resources (Hauser *et al*., 2016) but also the adoption of the technology (Atmis *et al*., 2009; Bremer *et al*., 2014). However, in Maros, the adoption of crop residue to be used as a feed is still limited. Baba *et al*. (2014) revealed that utilizations of rice and corn straws as feeds were only 63.5% and 32.5%, respectively.

The success of crop residues utilization as a feed is influenced by several social, economic, and technical factors; for example, the difficulty in making rice straw compost (Supaporn *et al*., 2013), unclear economic benefits (Giller *et al*., 2009), labor shortages for processing of straw as a feed, and a lack of knowledge about the processing of the straw (Supaporn *et al*., 2013; Baba *et al*., 2014; Mudzengi *et al*., 2014). It also includes the cost of implementation and expected benefits. Interest from smallholder farmers and their perceptions, as well as demographic characteristics, have been a factor (Giller *et al*., 2009). Socio economic factors were the main factors that are the determinant of technology adoption. The adoption of crop residue utilization as a feed has never been done yet in Maros. Therefore, the objective of this study was to determine the socio-economic impact of farmers to adopt the utilization of crop residues as feed.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Data Collection

This research was conducted in Maros District, South Sulawesi. The selected site is a well-known center for rice crop productions, corn, and Bali beef cattle in Eastern Indonesia. Previously, collaboration between the University of Hasanuddin, Maros District Government, and the Assessment Institute for Agricultural Technology, South Sulawesi Province disseminated utilization of rice and corn straws as a feed. The dissemination included fermentation and ammonization of rice and corn straws and silage of corn stalk. In this district, December-March is the first cropping of paddy; April-June is the second cropping of sticky corn, *pulut*, local name of sticky corn; and July-September is the third cropping of corn, respectively. *Pulut* is harvested in young stage (70 days); therefore, it has a high palatability.

Data collection used questionnaires which were distributed by trained enumerators, running from March to December 2015. In total, 487 smallholder beef farmers were spread over three sub-districts such as Simbang and Bantimurung (2 villages) and Camba (1 village). Overall, 96 farmers were selected as respondents from each village using quota sampling. In Samangki and Simbang (Subdistrict Simbang), there were 25 and 20 respondents, respectively; in Leang-Leang and Minasa Baji (Subdistrict Bantimurung) there were 23 and 16 respondents, respectively; and in Pattiro Deceng (Subdistrict Camba), there were 12 respondents.

Statistical Analysis

Adoption of technology is the decision of farmers to accept or reject technology. The decision to the adoption of technology is influenced by many factors such as environmental factors, smallholder-farmers characteristics, socio-economics, farming purposes, biophysics, and technology delivery method to the farmers. Dependent variables (i.e. adoption and utilization of crop-residues technology) were measured by using dichotomous model where 1 meant was adopted while 0 meant was not adopted. Independent variables were internal factors of farmers, socio economy of the farmers, and biophysical farming. These factors were determined because of the cattle business and paddy field had long been carried out by them even though it had not been well integrated yet. Therefore, whether adopted or not adopted the technology of crop residue utilization depends on internal factors, socio-economic, and the biophysics of their farming.

Logistic regression model was used for determination of factors influencing the adoption of crop residues as a feed. Logistic model was used as the dependent variable measured by dichotomous variables, where 0 meant was not adopted (unused crop residues as a feed), while 1 meant was adopted (used crop residues as a feed the whole time). The logistic regression model was as follows:

$$Y = \ln (pi/1-pi) = \beta_0 + \beta_1X_1 + \beta_2X_2 + \beta_3X_3 + \beta_4X_4 + \beta_5X_5 + \beta_6X_6 + \beta_7X_7 + \beta_8X_8 + \beta_9X_9 + \varepsilon$$

Where: *Y* was the opportunity for adoption or the utilization of straw as feed (pi= 0 indicated no adoption, pi= 1 indicated adoption); β_0 was intercept; β_1-β_7 was regression coefficient of the dependent variable; X_1 was age, expressed of the length of their life (year); X_2 was work perception, as a dichotomous variable, where 1 denoted the main work as being a beef cattle farmer, and 0 otherwise; X_3 was farmer experience, reported as the length of their experience as a beef cattle farmer (years); X_4 was contact with extension workers, expressed as the number of contacts with extension workers (frequency in 2015); X_5 was rice cultivated area, expressed as the number of hectares (ha); X_6 was the number of cattle, expressed as the number of cattle intensively reared (heads); X_7 was subjective norm, expressed as the perception of beef cattle farmers towards what should be done in view of their community based on their position (score); X_8 was technology difficulties, expressed as a difficulty in using crop residues feed by beef cattle farmers: 1 if they agree that it is difficult, or 0 if otherwise; and X_9 was family size, expressed as the number of farmers' family (individual).

RESULTS

Farmer Characteristics

There were no significant differences between age, farmer experience, family size, and the education level of the farmers whether adopters or non-adopters. However, the number of cattle and rice cultivated area of adopter farmers was significantly higher than that of the non-adopter farmers (Table 1). The number of cattle increased as the amount of feed increased such as rice straw. On the contrary, the availability of labor was not a distinguished factor between adopters and non-adopters.

The Farmer's Reasons to Adopt and Not Adopt

There were many reasons for smallholder beef farmers to adopt the utilization of crop residue such as corn-straw as a feed (Table 2). The first reason was the shortage of land fodder or herbage production. The second reason was the limited of land fodder holding and the third was the increase in corn straw with the increase in harvesting season.

The main reason for smallholder beef farmers not adopting straw as a feed was the availability of the other feed sources such as Napier grass and Native grass (Table 3). In addition, the farmers did not only require labor to collect rice and corn straws, but they also had no free time. Another reason was the non-available facility for feed storage. Jabbar *et al.* (2009) stated that labor is one of the factors why farmers did not adopt the utilization of crop residue as a feed.

Factors Affecting Farmers to Adopt Crop Residue as Feed

The results of the overall correct prediction (88.7%) and Chi square statistics (93.742) showed that the models had the high ability to predict the chance to adopt the utilization of rice and corn straws as feed in Maros District. R square (0.709) showed that 70.9% variation in the dependent variables was determined by the selected independent variables. Wald indication stated that contact with the extension (12.507) and the number of cattle (11.506) variables had a greater influence on the farmer's adoption of rice and corn straws as a feed (Table 4).

Logistic regression analysis showed that 6 out of 9 independent variables had significant effects on the adoption of straw as a feed. The 6 variables were contact with the extension worker ($P<0.01$), the number of cattle ($P<0.01$), rice cultivated area ($P<0.01$), subjective norms ($P<0.01$), work perception ($P< 0.05$), and the level of technology difficulty in processing straw ($P<0.05$). Contact with extension workers, the number of cattle, rice cultivated area, social norms, and work perceptions had positive regression coefficient values indicating that they had positive influences on the adoption of straw as a feed. These results indicated that the increased contact with the extension agents, the number of cattle, the increase of rice cultivated area, social norm, and the higher perception of farming would increase the adoption of straw as feed.

Table 1. Characteristics of farmers and business farming by respondents

Variable	Adopter		Non Adopter		T-Test
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On the other hand, the level of difficulty in processing straw showed a negative coefficient (Table 4). The higher the difficulty in handling rice and corn straws, the lower the success in adopting rice and corn straws as feed. The variables which did not significantly affect the adoption of straw as a feed were age, farmer experience, and the family size.

DISCUSSION

The success of the beef cattle farmers in adopting technology to use straws as a feed depends on the adequacy of feed for cattle. If the farmers lack feeds such as grasses, they will use rice straw and corn straw as the main feed source (44 respondents). The method used by the farmers to manage straw was as follow: 1) neither planting spot nor harvesting period was the same; 2) planting time of corn should be different among farmers for collecting corn straw; and 3) cultivation and storage of straw.

The main reason for smallholder beef farmers not adopting straw as a feed is the availabilities of the other feed sources such as Napier grass and native grass. Smallholder beef farmers plant Napier grass close to their cattle pens so that it is easier to be harvested or the livestock can graze in field twice a day. There were 28 farmers (53.85%) who prepared pasture for livestock grazing during the day, and therefore this condition did not require any additional feeds. Generally, farmers who hold a limited number of livestock do not adopt straw as a source of feed (Table 1); however, there was a shortage in herbage production when compared to the farmers who had large farm scales.

Coefficient value of the intensity of contact with the extension worker was 2.835. The value means that farmer who has a contact with the extension worker had 2.835 times opportunity to adopt compared to the other farmers who did not have any contacts with the extension worker. Extension worker is one of the important sources of information for farmers. Adequate information especially from extension workers is one of the key drivers of technology utilization in Maros (Rogers 2003; Feola & Binder, 2010). They work for the farmer's needs, not only demonstrating the utilization of the straw as a feed, as counselors, and as assistants, but also they help the farmers to identify and solve the problems they have in the field (Bodorkos & Pataki, 2009; Hauser *et al.*, 2016).

The number of livestock is one of the factors which play an important role in the adoption and use of crop residue as feed. The variable coefficient of the number of livestock was 2.328. The value means that the farmers who have more livestock have 2.328 times opportunity in adopting rice and corn straws as feed compared to farmers who have less livestock. The demand of feed increased with the increase in the number of livestock. Rice and corn straws are two alternative crop residues to meet the feed demand in Maros District (Table 2). To meet the needs of cattle, rice and corn straws have to be processed before being given to cattle because of their poor qualities (Haryanto, 2009). Parmawati *et al.* (2018) reveal that region as the center of developing food security, such as Pasuruan, is able to support the availability of feed for livestock and the integration programs between livestock and crop.

The perception of livestock business is one of the drivers of farmer to adopt the utilization of rice straw as feed. The value of variable perception is 1.918, which means that the higher the value of farmer's perception towards their farming the higher the probability they will adopt the formulated rice and corn straws as feed i.e., it will increase 1.918 times. The farmers whose livestock business is the primary source of their income will maintain their livestock properly through the provision of sustainable feed. For instance, rice and corn straws will be collected by the farmers not only in their rush hours but also in their free times. According to Reimer *et al.* (2012), a good perception is increased by the increase of farmers' motivation through the utilization of free time for their farming.

The obstacle factor in adopting rice and corn straws as feed is a high level of difficulty especially when collecting and formulating rice and corn straws. Coefficient level of difficulty was -1.246. The coefficient means it have a negative correlation with the adoption of rice and corns straws: the success in adoption of rice and corn straws as feed will decrease by 1.2 times with the increased level of difficulties. The lack of labor and straw barns were the reason for the farmer not adopting

the utilization of rice and corn straws as feed (Table 3). However, the need for a labor to process corn straw was the main factor inhibiting the utilization of corn straw as feed (Mudzengi, 2014).

CONCLUSION

In Maros Regency, extension workers play an important role in increasing the adoption of technology in using rice and corn straws as a feed. Likewise, not only the number of livestock, but also the good perception of the farmers increased along with the increased feed availability, such as utilization of rice and corn straws. However, it decreased with the increased labor need and the unavailability of straw barns. Therefore, to increase the adoption of technology in using rice and corn straws as a feed, extension workers must support the farmers' skill.

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