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MOLASSES UREA BLOCKS

What is Molasses Urea Block?

Molasses Urea Block (MUB) is a supplemental feed for ruminants that promote the growth of rumen microbes throughout the day with a constant source of fermentable nitrogen.



Ingredients for a 25 Kg Molasses–Urea Block

Ingredients	Percentage (%)	Weight (kg)
Molasses	50	12 ½
Urea	5	1 ¼
Mineral Mix& Salt	5	1 ¼(5/8 kg each)
Quick Lime	10	2 ½
Wheat Middlings	15	3 ¾
Rice Bran	15	3 ¾

- **Quick lime or cement: used as a binder/ hardener**
- **Fillers : wheat middlings, general purpose concentrate**
- Equipment**
- Mixing pan (half drum)
- Fire place and wood
- Paddle
- Goggles
- Mask
- Moulds(wooden frames, plastic buckets or PVC pipe)
- Lining for moulds (paper bag, feed bag, old newspaper)
- Goggles and mask should be worn by the person mixing and pouring the ingredients

Hot Method- Quick Lime as the binder

Hot method produces harder blocks:

- Weigh all the ingredients
- Line moulds
- Heat molasses and bring to a simmer (85°C)
- Uniformly reduce heat or remove pan from fire
- Add urea to the hot molasses and stir vigorously until dissolved.
- Add in salt and stir until dissolved
- Add in the quick lime and mix to a uniform consistency (allow foam to settle) then stir mixture.
- Add the filler and mix to a uniform consistency
- Pour into moulds and compact.



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