## **ABSTRACT**

## TRADITIONAL NATIVE CATTLE BREEDING MOUNTAIN VILLAGES OF VESTERN ANATOLIA: CASE OF AKKOCALI VILLAGE OF AKHISAR DISTRICT OF MANISA PROVINCE

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The aim of this study was to determine traditional cattle-breeding practices and sustainability of production in Western Anatolia. This study was carried out in Akkocalı Village of Akhisar district in Manisa province where intensively traditional cattle breeding. The observations and interviews were conducted to obtain detailed information about the breeding activities of farms. Traditional cattle-breeding techniques and evaluation forms of animal products were revealed. The resulting information obtained form the present study will contribute to the literature and is sufficient to serve as a basis for future studies.

**Key Words**: Western Anatolia, traditional cattle, breeding Akhisar district