

# Baling silage

Feeding is one of the major factors that determine the quality and quantity of animal production. Due to drought, the available forage is processed into silage and kept for future use.

Access to quality feed and forage make farmers unlock potential of dairy enterprises and silage making addresses the challenges mostly faced by the farmers. The availability of quality forage determines how well dairy sector flourish.

## Silage processing

As silage baling machine make production of quality of forage for livestock, it compacts silage using net which is then vacuum sealed with 6 layers of specially manufactured foil and it is packaged in approximately 400kg hence shelf life of a year due to high compression.

Similarly, machine balls silage from silage banker or fresh chopped maize and sorghum from field and once opened, silage should be used within 3 to 4 weeks.

Finally, maize silage is an energy rich forage, forming basis of dairy cow ration.