



# VOICE OF COWS

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In practice the first principle of cow protection, surprisingly, is BULL EMPLOYMENT 1

There is a mistake made when only the cow is considered, because typically, her main usefulness is seen as milk production, and she will not give milk unless she first has a calf. Half of all calves are bulls who will never produce milk. The expense of feeding the bulls will be a deficit to the farmer unless he realizes their potential for alternative energy by employing them in tilling the fields and hauling. Otherwise, the farmer, in most countries throughout the world, acquires his economic profit by selling them for meat either directly to the slaughterhouse, the meat industry's feedlots, or to the veal industry where he lives a short life crammed into a small crate not much bigger than him. The modern system of agriculture does not realize the alternative energy potential of the bull calf nor the variety of useful bovine dung and urine products. Therefore, slaughtering becomes the only economically viable means of management. Most people, accustomed to this viewpoint and seeing no alternative, will throw up their hands and agree, even if they prefer a less violent solution. This is only because they don't have the facts. They don't know that the overall value of the ox is greater when he is utilized for work than when he's slaughtered for meat, and even when not productive a cow or bull produces useful urine and dung.



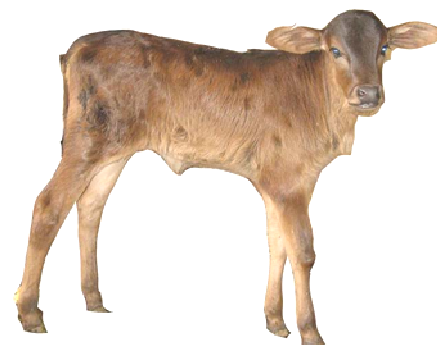
### A better Solution-

The bull will be out in the pastures eating simply, and naturally fertilizing the soil, saving the farmer the cost of the tractor, fuel, and fertilizer. The oxen will be quite content to use their big muscles in such wholesome work, and the humans can become healthy vegetarians. As for the government, if it wants to subsidize something, why not the small family farm instead of the beef industry? The beef industry may have a powerful lobby, but who wants all that heart disease, diabetes, colon cancer, not to mention all that bad karma from killing innocent animals!

### Newsletter Spotlight

1. The first principle of cow protection.
2. Krishna is a cowherd boy.
3. importance of cow milk as described in Vedas.

### New born calf in Goshala



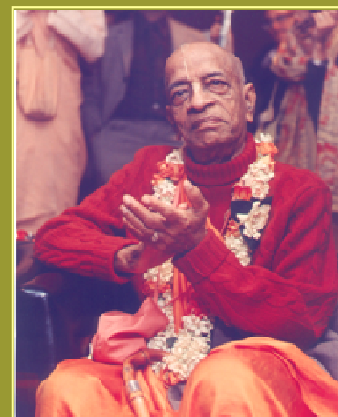
### They love Ladoos



A bull is carrying milk for Deities in ISKCON Vrindavan.

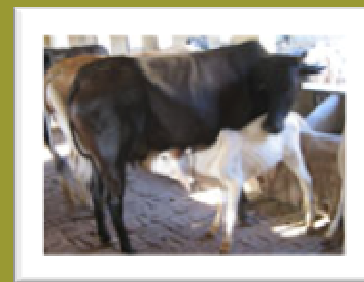
Bulls are helping in the field in Bhaktivedanta Swami Goshala.

Give protection to the cows. Kṛṣṇa mentioned specifically, go-raksya. That is our request, because Kṛṣṇa says go-raksya. And in His practical life He played as a cowherd boy giving protection to other cows. There is a picture, Kṛṣṇa is sitting, and the cow and the calf is feeling very safety. Kṛṣṇa is embracing. So because we want to be Kṛṣṇa conscious, we want to follow His personal behavior and instruction.



## IMPORTANCE OF COW MILK AS DESCRIBED IN VEDAS

There are a number of Mantras in all the four Vedas which describe the importance of cow and cow milk not only as a complete food but also as a curative drink. Of course, the feed and fodder given to cows was also required to be of a very high quality and having various herbs as its essential ingredients. Rig Veda in its ninth Mantra of the 73rd Sukta in 10th Chapter (10-73-9) says that cow provides in its milk the curative and prophylactic effects of the medicinal herbs it eats. Cow's milk was thus used not only to cure but also as a preventive in certain diseases. Again Rigveda in another Mantra (5-19-4) describes cow milk as the most desirable and likeable drink .



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