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Ministry of Agriculture and AMEXCID Host Cattle Reproductive Technology Training

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The Ministry of Agriculture, Food Security, and New Growth Industries (MAFSNGI), in partnership with the Mexican Agency for International Development Cooperation (AMEXCID), has launched a week-long training program on reproductive technology in livestock being held at the Cayo Central Farm Extension Office Conference Room, from May 25 to May 29, 2026.

The initiative brings together MAFSNGI extension officers, University of Belize Central Farm field technicians, and Belize Livestock Producers Association (BLPA) technicians to strengthen technical expertise in livestock management. The training program was opened by Hon. Rodwell Ferguson, Minister of Agriculture, Food Security, and New Growth Industries, and attended by Hon. Luis Alex Balona, Minister of State.

The training focuses on:

- **Integrated forage management** in monoculture systems to improve sustainability.
- **Nutritional conditioning** of regional livestock to enhance productivity.
- **Capacity building** to reduce inefficiencies in cattle and small ruminant milk and meat production.

This collaborative effort underscores the commitment of both Belize and Mexico to advancing agricultural innovation and food security in the region. By equipping local technicians and extension officers with cutting-edge knowledge, the program aims to boost efficiency, improve livestock health, and contribute to the long-term resilience of Belize's agricultural sector.

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