



# **COPRA MEAL**

### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Coconut meal or copra meal is produced from the ripe fruit (nut) of the coconut palm (Cocos nucifera).

The nut is split and the kernel is removed and dried below 6% moisture. This meal is called copra meal and still contains the oil.

Care is needed when feeding copra meal to livestock to ensure that it is not rancid, as this will cause diarrhoea. Rancidity usually develops as a result of the meal being stored for too long under unfavourable conditions such as high temperature.

# **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

- High levels of copra meal should not be suddenly included in the diet of pigs or poultry (even if the diet is nutritionally sound). Introduce copra meal into the diet slowly over time. This will overcome the initial reluctance by stock to eating copra meal.
- Copra meal can be used in diets for pigs, poultry, cattle and horses of all ages except very young stock.
- The protein in copra meal is low in lysine and histidine. The high fibre level will limit the use of the meal in poultry and pig feeds.

# SUGGESTED MAXIMUM INCLUSION RATES IN TOTAL DIET

SPECIES	INCLUSION RATE		
YOUNG PIGS	NIL		
PIGS	10%		
POULTRY - BROILER LAYER	10% 5%		
CATTLE	10%		
HORSES	10%		
SHEEP	10%		

## TYPICAL NUTRITIONAL ANALYSIS

PROTEIN	%	MIN:	18.00
CALCIUM	%	:	0.10
PHOSPHORUS	%	:	0.50
FAT	%	:	7.00
ME POULTRY	MJ/kg	:	5.60
ME RUMINANT	MJ/kg	:	11.00
DE HORSE	MJ/kg	:	12.00
DE PIG	MJ/kg	:	13.00
FIBRE	%	:	12.00

### **STORAGE**

Cool, shaded, dry conditions, away from vermin.

### **PACK SIZE**

20kg woven polypropylene bags.

Bulk: Please contact your Riverina Sales Representative



