



<b>PROJECT TITLE</b>	Improving of Central Anatolia Merino Sheep in Breeder Condition in Karaman (I)
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<b>PROJECT RESOURCE AND BUDGET</b>	TAGEM-3.000.000 TL
<b>PROJECT DEPARTMENT</b>	Department of Livestock and Aquaculture Research
<b>SUMMARY:</b>	<p>With this project, it is aimed to improve the growth characteristics of Central Anatolian Merino sheep, which are raised by the public. For this purpose, live weights of lambs at birth, 90th day (weaning) age will be determined and lambs with the best breeding characteristics will be determined as ram candidates. In this project, 6000 head of ram sheep and 300 head of ram of Central Anatolian Merino, one of our local breeds, will be used. With this project, at least 300 heads of high quality breeding rams will be produced annually.</p> <p>The aim is to develop and protect the Central Anatolian Merino sheep breed, to increase the early development characteristics of their lambs, to meet the high-yield breeding ram needs of the farmers who raise the Central Anatolian Merino sheep, to create herds of the Central Anatolian Merino breed registered in the hands of the public, and to encourage the establishment of breeding unions or cooperatives specific to this breed. It is also aimed to increase the income of the breeders from each head of sheep.</p>
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