## **Food from Animals**

### Introduction:

Animals play a vital role in providing food for human consumption.

#### **Types of Animal-Derived Food:**

- **1. Meat:** Meat from animals like cows, chickens, pigs, and fish is a primary source of protein for many people worldwide.
- **2.** Dairy Products: Milk, cheese, yogurt, and butter come from cows, goats, and other dairy animals and are rich in calcium and essential nutrients.
- **3. Eggs:** Eggs are a versatile and nutritious food source, commonly obtained from chickens.

#### Meat:

- **1.** Different animals provide various types of meat, each with its flavor and nutritional value.
- Poultry meat (chicken, turkey) is lean and high in protein, while red meat (beef, lamb) is a good source of iron.



**3.** Fish provides essential omega-3 fatty acids, which are beneficial for heart health.

#### **Dairy Products:**

- Milk is a complete food rich in calcium, protein, vitamins, and minerals.
- Dairy products like cheese and yogurt offer diverse flavors and textures while maintaining nutritional benefits.



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#### Eggs:

- Eggs are a rich source of protein, vitamins (especially B12), and minerals like selenium.
- 2. They can be cooked in various ways and are a staple in many diets.

#### **Nutritional Importance:**

- Animal-derived foods provide essential nutrients like protein, vitamins (B12, D), iron, and calcium.
- **2.** They are crucial for the growth and maintenance of the human body.

### **Ethical and Environmental Considerations:**

- **1.** The production of animal-derived foods can raise ethical concerns related to animal welfare.
- 2. It's essential to consider sustainable and ethical farming practices to reduce the environmental impact.