



**WESTGATE CONSERVANCY - SAMBURU COUNTY
JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2023 QUARTERLY REPORT**



SUMMARY

The Community Animal Health Initiative has 4 main objectives:

- (i) Managing rabies and canine distemper diseases in domestic carnivore populations through vaccinations and domestic carnivores' population control.
- (ii) Disease surveillance and monitoring (focusing on canine distemper and rabies).
- (iii) Emergency treatments of animals attacked by wild animals.
- (iv) Education and awareness programmes to communities in order to reduce the burden of disease and improve responsible domestic animal ownership and welfare.

This report provides a summary of the efforts and achievements of the Community Animal Health Initiative (CAHI) in Westgate Conservancy, Samburu East, between July and September 2023.

CAHI has attended to **945 animals** in total.
Animals attended include: 854 dogs, 87 cats, 2 donkeys, 1 goat and 1 sheep.
Of these cases: 732 were vaccinations, 203 were clinical treatments, 8 were emergency interventions and 2 were population control procedures.

VACCINATIONS: A total of **732 dogs and cats** have been vaccinated. Out of this, **646 (88.2%)** were dogs and **87 (11.8%)** were cats. The dogs were vaccinated against Rabies and Canine Distemper while the cats were vaccinated against Rabies and Cat Flu.



Pre-vaccination awareness and vaccinations of dogs and cats in Kalama Community Conservancy

DOG POPULATION CONTROL: A total of **2 dogs** received population control services. These were emergency surgeries due to complication from local population control methods.



Dogs undergoing and recovering from population control surgeries

CLINICAL AND PREVENTATIVE TREATMENTS: A total of **203 animals** received clinical treatments for any sickness reported as well as preventative treatments. This included deworming and ectoparasite control. Part of the clinical treatment included treatment of **37 dogs that had suspected Canine Distemper**.

EMERGENCY TREATMENTS: A total of **8 animals** were also treated as emergency cases. The animals included 4 dogs, 2 donkeys, 1 sheep and 1 goat.



Treating a donkey attacked by a lion and examination of a dog for ectoparasites

EDUCATION: So far, we have reached **216 people** through the various education campaigns. This includes: 2 Lions Kids Camps, 2 warrior camps and 1 local school visit.



Teaching children from a local school on responsible animal ownership and talking to children at the Lion Kids Camp

NEXT STEPS

1. The programme will invest more in disease surveillance (Rabies, Canine Distemper, and Transmissible Venereal Tumor) and community awareness.
2. The focus will be within Westgate Community for the next three years (between 2021-2024).

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