



WESTGATE CONSERVANCY - SAMBURU COUNTY OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2024 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 October and December 2024.

CAHI has attended to **77 animals** in total. Animals attended include: 54 dogs, 2 sheep, 5 camels, 1 goat, 14 cats and 1 donkey. Of these cases: 41 were clinical treatments, 27 vaccinations, and 9 were emergency interventions.

EDUCATION AND AWARENESS: We have provided education and awareness to over 70 students at Kiltamany Primary School.

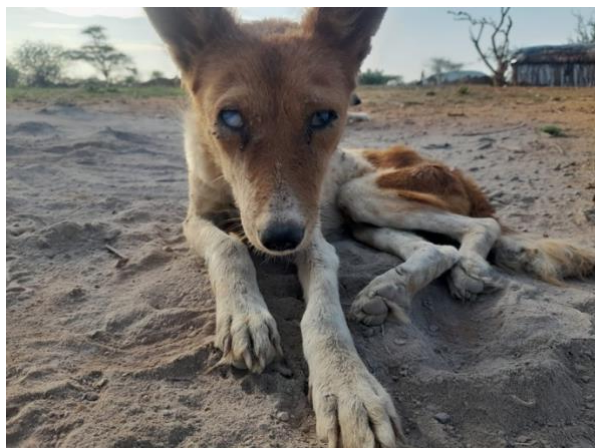


Speaking to students at Kiltamany Primary School about the importance of vaccinations, diseases affecting dogs and how they can be transmitted to other wild carnivores.

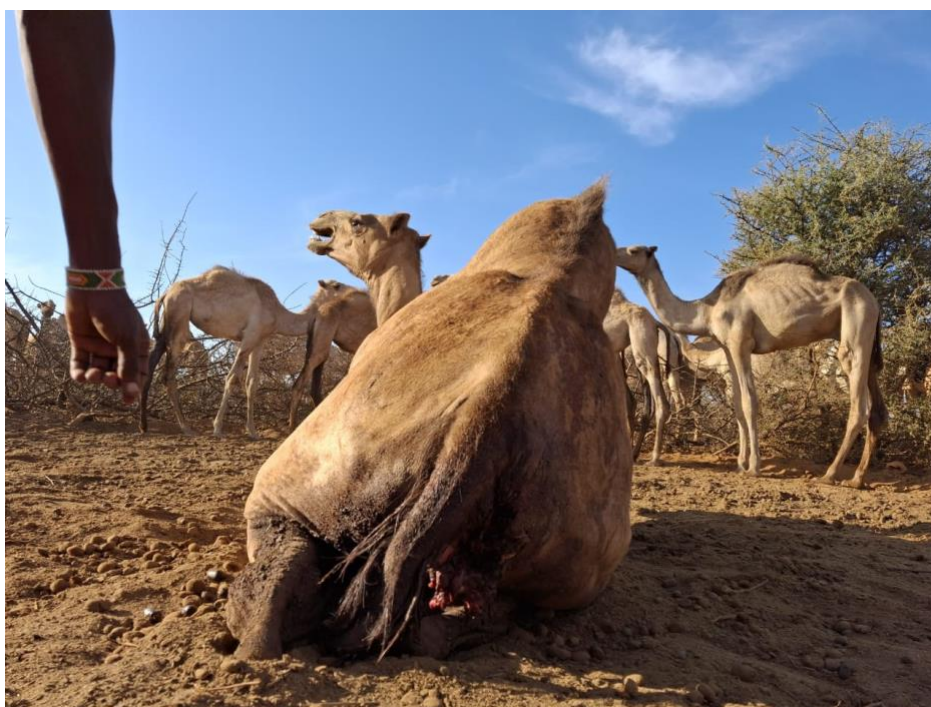
VACCINATIONS: A total of **27 dogs and cats** have been vaccinated this quarter. Majority were vaccinated during our daily rounds. The animals were vaccinated against rabies and distemper.

CLINICAL AND PREVENTATIVE TREATMENTS: A total of **41 animals** received clinical treatments for sicknesses that were reported as well as preventative treatments. This included deworming, injuries from wild carnivores and ectoparasite control. Part of the clinical treatment included treatment of **20 dogs that had suspected Canine Distemper**.

EMERGENCY TREATMENT: A total of **9 domestic animals** received medical interventions after being injured by wild carnivores. These animals included 5 camels, 2 sheep, 1 goat and 1 donkey.



Dog Treatments



Treatment of a camel injured by hyaena.

NEXT STEPS

1. The programme will invest more in disease surveillance (Rabies, Canine Distemper, and Transmissible Venereal Tumor) and community awareness
2. The focus continues to be in Westgate Conservancy
3. A new veterinarian begins in 2025

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