



WESTGATE CONSERVANCY - SAMBURU COUNTY APRIL TO JUNE 2025 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 April to June 2025.

CAHI has attended to **908 animals** in total. We have also engaged with **302 people through our community education and awareness** outreach.

Animals attended include: 651 dogs, 1 sheep, 5 camels, 228 cats and 4 donkeys. Of these cases: 66 were clinical treatments, 813 were vaccinations, 13 were emergency interventions and 16 were population control cases.

EDUCATION AND AWARENESS: We have provided education and awareness to a total of **302** to the community and also visiting schools educating them about our programme and what services we provide to the community.

VACCINATIONS: A total of **813 dogs and cats** have been vaccinated. Majority were vaccinated during our annual vaccination campaign in Westgate Conservancy. The dogs were vaccinated against Rabies, Canine Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis and Parvovirus while the cats were vaccinated against Rabies.



Vet vaccinating a cat during our annual vaccination campaign

CLINICAL AND PREVENTATIVE TREATMENTS: A total of **66 animals** received clinical treatments for cases reported, and preventative care was also administered. This included deworming, injuries from wild carnivores and ectoparasite control. Part of the clinical treatment included treatment of **13 dogs that had suspected Canine Distemper and 2 suspected of parvo virus.**



A dog treated of myiasis (mango worm) at Lpus Leluai

POPULATION CONTROLS: A total of 16 dogs have been spayed and castrated. Most of the dogs were neutered during the Kiltamany population control campaign in June.



Veterinary surgeons performing spays and neuters to better manage the dog population in Kiltamany

EMERGENCY TREATMENT: A total of **13 domestic animals** received medical interventions after being injured by wild carnivores. These animals included 5 camels, 1 sheep, 3 cows and 4 donkeys.



Team cleaning wounds of a cow injured by a lion

NEXT STEPS

1. The programme will invest more in disease surveillance (Rabies, Canine Distemper, and Transmissible Venereal Tumor) and community awareness
2. Kalama Annual Vaccination campaign is planned for August 2025.

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