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TANZANIA WILDLIFE RESEARCH INSTITUTE
(TAWIRI)**

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LIST OF ACRONYMS

CIMs	Conservation Information and Monitoring Section
CCHF	Crimean-Congo Haemorrhagic Fever
ESIA	Environment Social Impact Assessment
FYDP	Five Year Development Plan Phase III
FY	Financial Year
GFD	Giraffe Skin Disease
HEC	Human Elephant Conflict
ICMP	Integrated Corridors Management Programme
KWRC	Kingupira Wildlife Research Centre
KTIPI	Kenya-Tanzania Power Interconnection Project
KST	Kihansi Spray Toad
LUP	Land Use Plans
MNRT	Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism
NCAA	Ngorongoro Conservation Area Authority
NP	National Parks
NWRC	Njiro Wildlife Research Centre
PAs	Protected Areas
REC	Research Ethical Clearance Committee
REGROW	Resilience Natural Resources for Tourism Growth
RP	Research Programs
SWRC	Serengeti Wildlife Research Centre
SWRI	Serengeti Wildlife Research Institute
SHWRC	Southern highlands Wildlife Research Centre
SP	Strategic Plan
SOP	Standard Operating Standards
STEP	Southern Tanzania Elephant Program
SRF	Systematic Reconnaissance Flight
TANAPA	Tanzania National Parks
TAWA	Tanzania Wildlife Management Authority
TAWIRI	Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute
TFS	Tanzania Forest Service Agency
TRS	Tabora Research Station
TR	Treasury Registrar
ToTs	Trainee of Trainers

WWRC	Western Wildlife Research Centre
WWF	World Wildlife Fund
WCST	Wildlife Conservation Society of Tanzania
WMA	Wildlife Management Area

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Honourable Minister,

**RE: SUBMISSION OF ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT FINANCIAL YEAR
2022/2023**

Pursuant to the requirement of Section 26 of the Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute Act No. 10 of 1999 (CAP 260 RE 2002) and its amendment Act. No. 5 of 2021, on behalf of the Board of Directors for Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute, I have the honour to present to you the Annual Performance Report for the year 2022/2023.

Honourable Minister, I hereby submit



Dr. David Nkanda Manyanza
BOARD CHAIRMAN
TANZANIA WILDLIFE RESEARCH INSTITUTE
September, 2023

VISION AND MISSION

VISION

To be a centre of excellence in advising and providing scientific information on biodiversity conservation and management at national and international levels.

MISSION

Conducting and coordinating wildlife research and sharing scientific information with stakeholders for sustainable biodiversity conservation.

CORE VALUES

TAWIRI observes the following core values in the provision of services to different stakeholders:

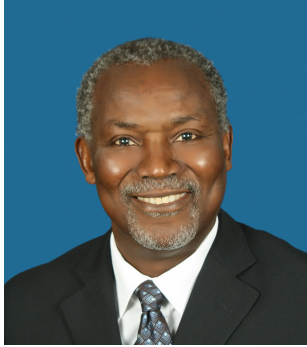
- i. **Professionalism:** Provide high-quality services based on best practices and experience; maintain the highest degree of expertise and ethical standards, building value-added relationships with customers and stakeholders to deliver quality goods and services;
- ii. **Efficiency:** Ensure timely implementation of plans and programs to achieve the desired objectives stipulated in the SP; to value and use public resources entrusted in an economic, efficient and effective manner;
- iii. **Transparency:** Undertake duties equitably, carefully, openly and responsibly to stakeholders/customers;
- iv. **Confidentiality:** Determined to treat customers and each other with trust, secrecy and honesty. As a public institution staff will not seek or accept gifts, favours or inducements in terms of financial or otherwise in the course of discharging duties, and;
- v. **Teamwork:** Benefit from collective obligations by putting together diverse expertise and experiences to achieve success.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

This plan is a roadmap that guides the institute's management to make comprehensive short and medium-term plans for appropriate decision-making. The Institute has set out five (5) objectives in its Strategic Plan (2021/22 – 2025/26) which are;

- i. Intervention and prevention of HIV/AIDS and non-communicable diseases (NCDs) programmes at work place strengthened;
- ii. Good governance and national anti-corruption plans enhanced;
- iii. Research, Coordination and Consultancy services improved;
- iv. Financial resources mobilisation and management enhanced;
- v. Institutional capacity to deliver services strengthened.

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MESSAGE FROM THE THE BOARD CHAIRMAN

Dear Esteemed Scientific Community,

I extend my sincere appreciation to the TAWIRI researchers, fellow Board members, and all stakeholders from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism (MNRT) for joining our efforts during the Financial Year 2022/2023.

It is crucial that we prioritize wildlife and natural habitat protection through well-informed research. As the board Chairman, I firmly believe that we have a responsibility to provide timely information, advice, and innovative approaches to safeguard our biodiversity for future generations. Research-driven insights enable us to develop effective conservation strategies, address human-wildlife conflicts, and make informed decisions to ensure the long-term sustainability of our environment. Hence, I urge the Government and its partners to continue investing in wildlife research to anticipate and tackle challenges our ecosystems face. This investment will enable us to devise innovative solutions and support Management authorities in implementing conservation measures to protect our wildlife's future.

I further encourage all researchers to actively pursue wildlife research initiatives, especially focusing on our key research themes. Additionally, let's foster collaborations with external research institutions to develop ideas, conduct joint surveys, and analyse data together. I also emphasize the importance of ethical research practices, placing the welfare of the wildlife species at the forefront of our endeavours. Let's cultivate partnerships with local communities, conservation authorities, and government bodies.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I express our gratitude to the stakeholders who have consistently trusted and supported us. We also commend the dedication and hard work of all Directors, Head of Units, Head of Sections, and TAWIRI researchers in carrying out research activities. Thank you for your dedication to this important cause.

“Tumerithishwa tuwarithishe...kazi iendeleee”.



Dr. David Nkanda Manyanza
Chairman, Board of Directors

June, 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

This report provides TAWIRI's performance for the Financial Year 2022/2023. It includes research projects conducted, supervised and coordinated, publication of the research results and audited accounts and the Institute's capacity-building initiatives. Over the past year, our Institute has made significant advancements in our wildlife research endeavours through our dedicated team of researchers, scientists, collaborative partners and field experts.

The implementation of our Institute's activities is in line with its current Strategic Plan (2021/22 – 2025/26) which identifies five Strategic objectives that guide the Institute's performance with regard to the core function of the Institute. This financial year TAWIRI registered 201 research projects with a total of 451 researchers whereby 276 (61.2%) were Tanzanians. The research projects conducted focused on biodiversity surveys, species-specific studies, habitat assessment, human-wildlife conflict, beekeeping, technological advancements and wildlife diseases. Findings and recommendations from various research will serve as a basis for policy development and enhancing conservation efforts.

Our priorities for 2023/2024 will be to further improve our services to our stakeholders and the public in general for sustainable conservation of biodiversity in Tanzania. Last but not least I would like to cordially invite all researchers to the coming 14th TAWIRI Biannual International Scientific Conference which will be held in Arusha from 6th – 8th December 2023.

I wish to thank the Government, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism and our esteemed stakeholders for their support to the Institute. Furthermore, I would like to express my gratitude to all the researchers, Management authorities and supporting staff for their dedication and hard work. Our obligation to wildlife research is vibrant in ensuring the long-term survival of our wildlife. I urge all of us to continue collaborating, innovating, and advocating for evidence-based conservation practices.



Dr. Eblate Ernest Mjingo
Director General
September, 2023

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Chapter One

1.0 Introduction

The Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI) was established by Act of Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania No. 4 of 1980, under the name “Serengeti Wildlife Research Institute” (SWRI), with the overall responsibility of carrying out, coordinating and supervising all wildlife research in the country. The original name of the Institute was changed from SWRI to TAWIRI in 1999, by the Act of Parliament No.10 (CAP 260 RE 2002) in order to give its broader meaning and mandate on wildlife research throughout the country. TAWIRI is comprised of five research Centres as shown in Figure 1;

- i. Kingupira Wildlife Research Centre located in Selous Game Reserve (KWRC)
- ii. Njiro Wildlife Research Centre located in Arusha (NWRC),
- iii. Serengeti Wildlife Research Centre located in the Serengeti National Park (SWRC),
- iv. Southern Highlands Wildlife Research Centre located in Iringa Municipality (SHWRC).
- v. Western Wildlife Research Centre located in Kigoma (WWRC)

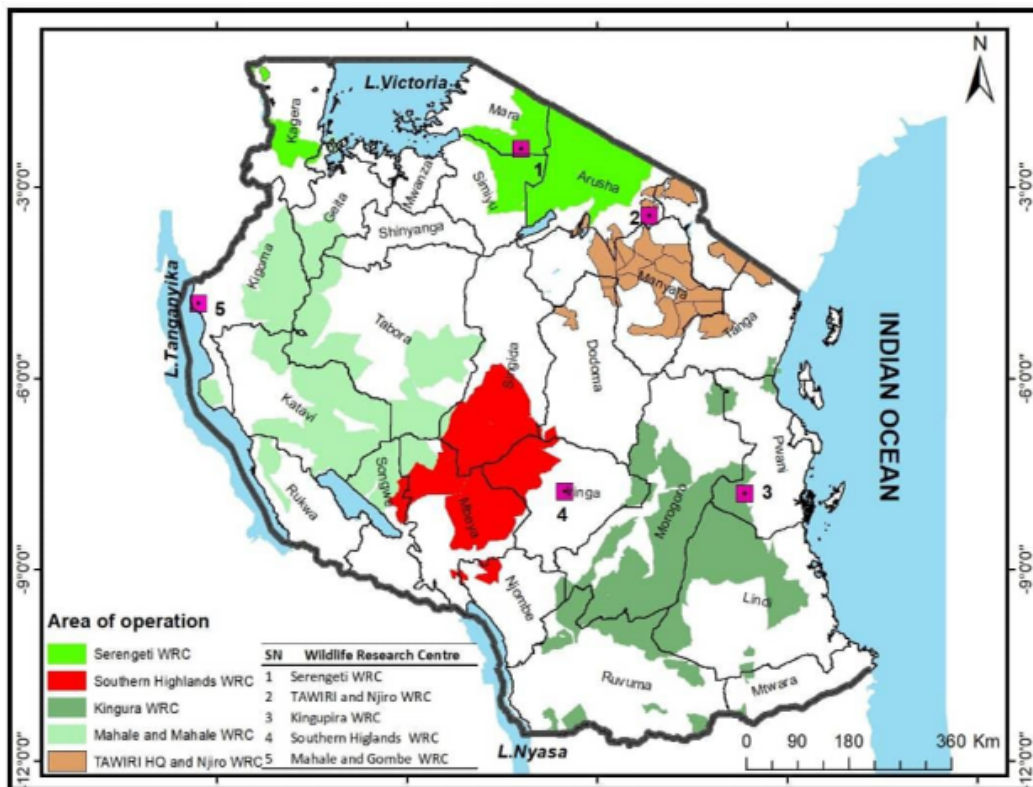


Figure 1: Location of Research Centres under TAWIRI and their respective areas of operations.

1.1 Purpose of the Report

The purpose of this report is;

- i. To present institute’s performance for the Financial Year 2022/2023,
- ii. To inform stakeholders on TAWIRI research activities conducted over the past year and future plans and,
- iii. To publicize the achievements of the Institute to the general public.

Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute is delighted to present the annual performance report for the Financial Year 2022/2023. The report highlights activities, progress and achievements made over the past financial year. The report presents detailed information about projects undertaken, financial performance and the impact to stakeholders. The accomplished projects/ research activities reflect our commitment to innovation, efficiency, and delivering the best services to our stakeholders. We believe in continuous improvement and commitment to enhancing our research on challenges facing wildlife in the country. Therefore, this report is a testament to our commitment to transparency, accountability, and excellence. Thank you for your continued support and trust in TAWIRI. We look forward to your feedback and suggestions as we strive to reach greater heights in the coming year.

Chapter Two

2.0 Research Activities for the Year 2022/2023

Research activities performed were in alignment with Government documents such as: Wildlife Policy (2007), Wildlife Conservation Act No. 5 (2009), TAWIRI Act CAP. 260 R.E. 2002, TAWIRI (Conduct of wildlife research) Regulations (2020), Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute Strategic Plan (2021/22–2025/26), National Research Agenda (2021/22-2025/26), Tanzania Wildlife Research Agenda (2012), Beekeeping Master Plan (2020-2030), CCM Ruling Party Manifesto (2020-2025) - Article 68 and 69, Five-year Development Plan Phase III (FYDP III) (2021/22-2025/26) and Sustainable Development Goals (SGDs) 2030;1, 9, 13 and 15.

Key Priority Areas planned for the Financial Year 2022/2023 were as follows;

- i. Conducting, supervising, coordinating research, and providing consultancy services related to wildlife and disseminating research results to the stakeholders.
- ii. Improve institutional capacity in service delivery.
- iii. Carrying out animal censuses in and outside Protected Areas (PA) where wildlife is currently found in the country.
- iv. Improve Revenue collection system.
- v. Strengthen ICT infrastructure systems and technology related to wildlife research.
- vi. Organise TAWIRI Biennial Scientific Conference.
- vii. Building and strengthening the infrastructure of the institute including the construction of TAWIRI Headquarters building at Njiro-Arusha.

2.1 Research Activities Planned for the Year 2022/2023

As per the TAWIRI Strategic Objective C (Research, Coordination and Consultancy services improved) the following strategies and activities were planned;

2.1.1 Enhance Wildlife Research Undertakings, Ethics and Management;

- i. Five (5) wildlife research activities conducted by June 2023.
- ii. Twenty (20) scientific papers published in peer reviewed journals.

- iii. Nine (9) papers presented in scientific conferences by June 2023.
- iv. Four (4) Joint Management Research Committee (JMRC) meetings for research ethics clearance conducted by June 2023.
- v. One (1) species management action plan developed and reviewed by June 2023.
- vi. Four (4) Collaborations with other local, regional or international Institutions established by June 2023.

2.1.2 Improve Wildlife Population Monitoring;

Five (5) wildlife censuses for population monitoring and human activities conducted by June, 2023.

2.1.3 Promote Tourism Development Through Research

Five (5) research tourism programs developed and implemented by June, 2023.

2.1.4 Promote Public Awareness on Wildlife Research Findings;

Three (3) annual wildlife research promotion and dissemination events increased from 2 to 3.

2.1.5 Undertake Wildlife Health Surveillance, Disease Monitoring and Control

Three (3) wildlife health surveillance, disease monitoring and control done by June, 2023.

2.1.6 Undertake Consultancy Services

Four (4) consultancy services undertaken by June, 2023.

2.2 Implemented Wildlife Research Activities

ENHANCE WILDLIFE RESEARCH UNDERTAKINGS, ETHICS AND MANAGEMENT;

A total of ten Institutional research projects funded by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism (MNRT) through Government subvention were conducted. These projects were also used for capacity building to all researchers within the Institute. Apart from Institutional research projects, TAWIRI researchers or in collaboration with other researchers were able to undertake 20 donor funded research projects.

2.2.1 Institutional Research Projects

2.2.1.1 Customer driven Research projects

We respond to needs of wildlife management institutions by attending to their most pressing needs for knowledge to formulate effective conservation strategies. Below is the progress made in the year 2022/2023.

2.2.1.1 Social, Ecological and Environmental Drivers of Human-Elephant Conflicts (HEC) in Tanzania

Human wildlife conflict is among the main challenges to the conservation management authorities. In order to enhance co-existence between humans and wildlife, TAWIRI conducted a countrywide survey to investigate the status, drivers and suggested mitigation measures for HEC in various regions in Tanzania. A Cross-sectional questionnaire was administered to a total of 2,312 respondents covering 10 regions (Kilimanjaro, Arusha, Mara, Kagera, Katavi, Rukwa, Kigoma, Tabora, Morogoro and Ruvuma).

Key findings:

- 85% of the respondents reported Elephant as a cause of crop raiding
- Main driver of HEC was increased human activities near protected areas that includes; agriculture, growing elephant loving crops, changing of elephant behaviour, blocked wildlife areas such as; corridors, buffer zones, migratory routes, dispersal areas, and climate change
- Peak conflict occurs in July during crop ripening season
- Reported challenges for Consolation scheme that includes:
 - Low awareness on the scheme,
 - Unawareness on accessing the scheme.
 - Little amount of consolation paid to victims compared to the losses.
 - Payment takes too long
 - Some wild animals causing loss to communities are not considered
- Current mitigation measures:
 - Guarding farms (24%),
 - Making noise (23.4%), and
 - Use of bright lights (23.3%).
- Low Community tolerance for elephants.

Recommendations:

- Strengthen Education awareness on human wildlife coexistence.
- Establish, revise and promote land-use planning to minimize HEC.

- Revise the current consolation scheme to better reflect actual losses.
- Use available village game scouts to reinforce Rapid response teams to address HEC incidences timely

2.2.1.2 Re-introduction of Kihansi Spray Toad in the Wild

After significant population reduction in the wild as an after effect of the construction of a hydroelectric power dam at Kihansi, the remaining population was taken and bred into captivity for re-introduction into the wild later. Re-introduction research started in 2011 and continued to date.

Progress made during 2022/2023:

- Re-introduced toads show low ability to locate food in the wild, the factor that affected their survival.
- Low survival rate, out of 1000 individuals introduced into the wild only 18% survived
- The 180 toads that survived gave birth to 31 babies
- The 31 born toad babies only 2 (6.4%) survived to maturity
- The low toad survivability could be associated with fungal infection.
- A survey on chytrid fungus was carried out,
- The results showed presence of chytrid fungus in two wetlands
- The vegetation survey realized a change in plant species composition in the gorge



Plate 1: Feeding experiment of KST at Kihansi Gorge.

2.2.1.3 Beekeeping in Tanzania: Enhancing Hive Occupancy and Production of Honeybee Products for Improved Livelihoods in Selected Beekeeping Potential Areas

Low beehive occupancy have been reported as a serious problem affecting both beekeeping and honey production in many parts of Tanzania. Research seeks to establish existence and extent of the problem and its causes.

Progress made in 2022/2023 for studies conducted in Tabora and Geita regions revealed the following findings:

- Low hive occupancy was noted in both Tabora and Geita regions (Figure 1)

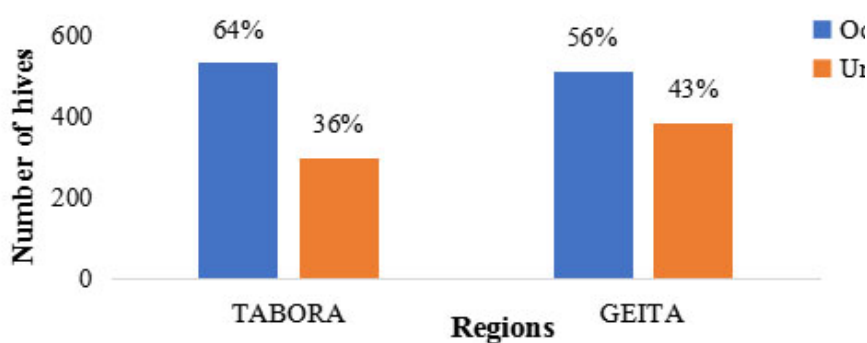


Figure 2: Beehive Occupancy in Tabora and Geita regions, Tanzania

- Low hive occupancy was associated with various factors that includes; livestock disturbance, prolonged draught, pests, use of pesticides, inadequate forage (Figure 3)

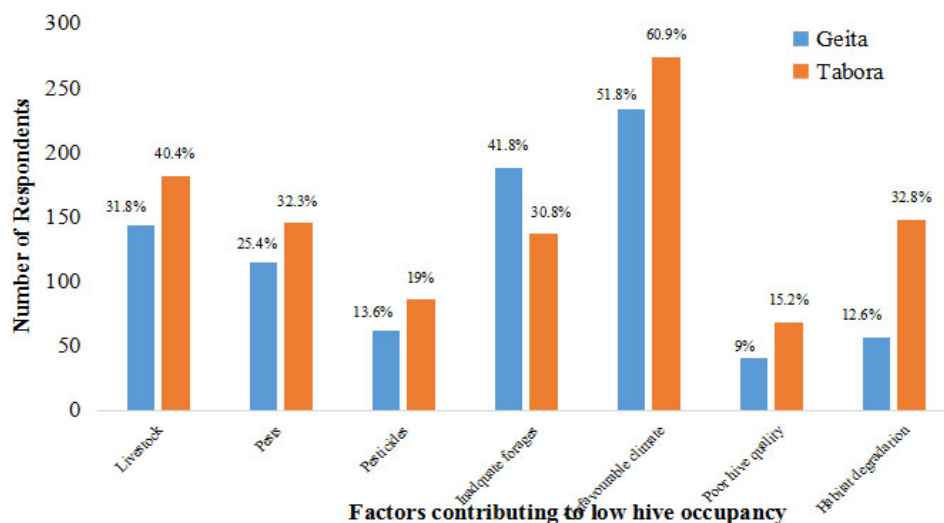


Figure 3: Factors contributing to Low hive occupancy in Geita and Tabora regions, Tanzania

- Traditional bee keepers reported percentage honey production reduction ranging from 33 to 50 (Figure 4)

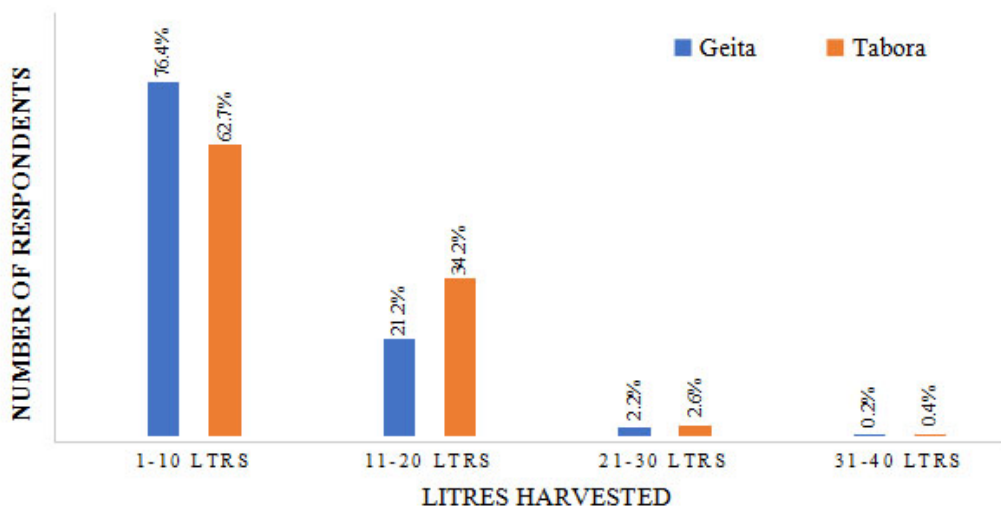


Figure 4: Honey production in Geita and Tabora regions, Tanzania

- Recommendations given to the Management Authority:
 - Conserve habitats to maintain bee colonies;
 - Establish zones in protected areas for bee keeping;
 - Use modern bee hives instead of traditional hives;
 - Restrict livestock grazing in bee keeping areas; and
 - Enhance extension services through District Beekeeping Officers.

iv. Review of Statutory Instruments Governing Wildlife Protection, Utilisation, Management, and Development of Wildlife and Wetland Resources in Tanzania

The overall goal of this project was to identify areas of recommendation for reform and for supporting conservation and livelihood needs based on Wildlife policy of 2007 and its legislations (the Wildlife Conservation Act (No. 5 of 2009)).

Key Findings

- Tanzania has a robust set of statutory instruments covering various aspects of wildlife and wetland conservation and a clear delineation of responsibilities among different government agencies, however the statutory instruments are not interlinked.
- There are significant challenges in the implementation and enforcement of existing laws

and regulations perhaps due limited resources, including financial and human.

- On community involvement, there are examples of successful community-based conservation initiatives, but these are not widespread as most of the successful ones are lined only in northern Tanzania.
- There is a significant issue of human-wildlife conflict, particularly in areas adjacent to protected areas, however, consolation mechanisms for affected communities are inadequate or poorly implemented.
- UThere are opportunities for sustainable economic utilization of wildlife and wetland resources which needs a better regulation to prevent overexploitation.

Recommendations:

- Enhance policy harmonization and coordination to avoid overlaps and conflicts among different government agencies and stakeholders involved in wildlife and wetland management.
- Strengthen the enforcement capabilities, funding and resources for wildlife protection agencies.
- Develop and support more community-based conservation programs to ensure their participation, if possible provide incentives and support for communities to engage in sustainable resource management.
- Enhance the effective implementation of the consolation scheme for communities affected by wildlife as well as promotion of the use of non-lethal deterrents and community education to reduce the human wildlife conflicts incidences.
- Ensure sustainable economic practices through promoting alternative livelihoods that do not rely on the exploitation of wildlife and wetlands.
- Invest in research and monitoring to gather data on wildlife populations, habitat conditions, and the effectiveness of conservation measures as well as to gain data which can be used to inform policy and management decisions.

2.2.1.6 Population Status of Hippopotamus and Human Hippo Conflict in Peri - Urban Habitats of Busega and Mpanda Districts in Tanzania

The aim was to investigate the impact of human activities on hippo habitats in Urban and peri urban areas, and suggest appropriate mitigations

Key findings

- Hippos crop raiding on farms near the riverbank causing food insecurity
- Population status of Hippopotamus were documented (78 hippos in Busega and 46 in Mpanda).

- Higher Impact on crop damage were recorded:
 - In Busega district (1,723 acres of crop farms destroyed annually).
December was realized as a peak raiding season.
 - In Mpanda (1,619 acres of crops farms were destroyed annually).
January and March were reported to be the peak raiding months
- Crops raided wincludes maize, cassava, vegetables, and fruits.



Plate 2:A quick survey to assess hippo habitat on food availability in Busega District, Simiyu region.

vi The use of invasive plants as raw material for production of Biomass Briquettes in Ngorongoro Conservation Area

The purpose of the project was to improve rangeland conditions by use of invasive plant species (*E. jaegeri*) as alternative cooking energy source for communities living in NCA.

Progress made:

Developed a prototype of biomass briquettes made from Makutia grass (*E. jaegeri*).

Table 1: Proximate analysis of *E. jaegeri* and other common biomass materials.

Sample name	Moisture (%)	Ash (%)	Volatile Matter (%)	Fixed Carbon (%)	heat Value (MJ/Kg)
<i>E. jaegeri</i>	5.01	41.39	15.92	37.68	16.3
Rice husk	3.98	63.42	17.06	15.54	7.98
Charcoal	4.39	23.8	23.73	48.08	21.46

Table 2: Perceived combustion properties of briquettes against fuel wood.

	Assessed properties	Briquettes from <i>E. jaegeri</i>		Fuel wood	
		Yes	No	Yes	No
i	Easy of ignition	85	15	30	70
ii	Less smoke produced	85	15	25	75
iii	High heat intensity	95	5	35	65
iv	Long burning time	84	16	25	75
v	Less ash generated	65	35	20	80
vi	High willingness to use	85	15	45	55

Future plans:

- Expand the project to other Invasive species affected areas



Plate 5: Researcher demonstrating to villagers in NCA how to use Makutian briquettes as a source of domestic heat energy.

vii Crocodile Exclusion Fence Construction in Rukwa and Iboma Villages-Songwe District Tanzania

The purpose of the project was to develop a mitigation strategy for human-crocodile conflict in communities using Crocodile exclusion fence (Kizimba).

Progress made:

- Songwe district is highly affected by human - crocodile conflict resulting to death and severe injuries.
- 46% of the community in Iboma and Rukwa villages using lake Rukwa are affected by human-crocodile conflict

Two crocodile exclusion fences were constructed and installed in Rukwa and Iboma villages. Community education on the use of exclusion fences were done to the victim villages.

Future plans:

- Construction of two exclusion fences in Buchosa and Ruvuma districts.
- Continue with public sensitization education on the use of crocodile Exclusion fences.



Plate 6: Kids swimming and women fetching water in a crocodile exclusion fence in Iboma village, Rukwa region.

viii. Wildlife Population Dynamics

The purpose of the survey was to document the status of animal species using ground count methods for tourism development in Ruaha and Nyerere National Parks.

Progress made:

Ruaha National Park:

- A total of 29 Large mammal species were recorded, with impala, greater kudu, giraffe, and elephant being the most abundant.
- Species distribution: Species were most abundant in the central zone, followed by the eastern, northern, and southern zones. The least observations were in the western zone. Interestingly, some areas with wildlife lacked all-weather roads, likely making them inaccessible during the wet season.
- Species evenness: Distribution of species differed between the northern and eastern zones, but overall diversity and richness were similar across the park.
- A total of 428 bird species were recorded.

Nyerere National Park:

Large mammals: A total of 1,514 individuals from 34 species were observed. The northern zone had more individuals, but the southern zone had higher species diversity.

Management implications: Understanding wildlife distribution is crucial for improving conservation efforts and visitor experiences.

Overall implications:

The study highlights the importance of understanding wildlife distribution for park management. In Ruaha, creating new road network could improve wildlife viewing opportunities, especially during the wet season. The high bird diversity in both parks suggests potential for attracting birdwatchers (ecotourism).

ix. Assessment of vegetation and habitat dynamics

The purpose of the study was to investigate the impact of an invasive plant species *Calotropis procera* and propose the suitable approach to control its spread in Ruaha National Park:

Key findings:

- Successful control method: Experiments showed that a low concentration (5% dilution) of glyphosate herbicide effectively killed over 50% of *Calotropis procera* within three months post-application, suggesting a cost-effective control method.
- The study identified a total of 272 plant species as readily available forage for wildlife species during prolonged dry periods.

The study recommends protecting areas with these valuable plant resources to ensure long-term wildlife health and park sustainability.

Maintaining enough high-quality food sources within the park can potentially reduce human-wildlife conflict caused by animals searching for food outside protected areas.

x. Socioeconomic Perspective of Human-Wildlife Conflict (HWC) and Api-Tourism in Southern Tanzania

This study investigated the use of non-lethal HEC mitigation methods to improve food and human security and reduce government expenditure on consolation scheme. As well as to investigate why communities does not adopt the non-lethal methods trained for a long period of time.

Key findings:

- Olfactory and acoustic deterrents methods tested were effective and reduced significantly elephant raiding incidences
- Food and human security were improved
- Factors that hinders adoption of non-lethal mitigation methods includes:
 - Low education of community members
 - Low household economic base
 - Poor inclusiveness of projects conducted in HEC affected areas
- The project proposed a holistic approach to mitigate HEC.
- In preparation for Api-tourism, the project trained 231 villagers on beekeeping practices and provided start-up hives

xi. Ecology and Control of Giraffe Skin Disease (GSD) In Ruaha National Park in Tanzania

The purpose of the study was to test potential treatment methods for Giraffe Skin Disease (GSD) in order to save the Giraffe population in Ruaha National Park.

- Treatment trial: Three treatments were tested to a total of 18 giraffes as follows:
 - 6 were offered with Ivermectin injection
 - 6 were injected with Long-acting antibiotic
 - 6 were given a combination of both (Ivermectin injection and Long-acting antibiotic injection)
 - Control of untreated group

Key findings:

the combination of treatment showed the most promising response, with some giraffes fully recovering or showing significant improvement

Individual treatments by using Ivermectin and Long-acting antibiotics alone, some positive improvements were observed.

The treatments responded effectively on fresh cases compared to chronic ones.

- The study preliminarily recommends the use of ivermectin, long-acting antibiotics, or a combination of both.
- Early detection and intervention are crucial for controlling GSD in giraffe populations.

2.2.1.2 Knowledge generation research for future solutions

i. The Ecology of Elephants of the Tarangire-Manyara Ecosystem

The aim of the project is to generate knowledge for conservation of Tarangire Elephants and elephants in other areas:

Progress made so far:

A total of 21 elephant families with 43 calves (under 10 years old) were recorded.

Year	Total Number of families sighted	Number of individuals sighted	Number of adult increases	Calves	Total
2022	21	231		32	263
2023	21	361	85	11	327

- Noted 8 families of elephant herds not sighted, probably they migrated towards the southern part of Tarangire NP, Burunge WMA and Manyara Ranch
- One rare occasion of elephant giving birth to twins was documented.
- The overall population is growing in numbers (elephants over 55 years old) at a percentage increase of 36.8. With evidence of 44 newborn recorded at an average of 22 each year.
- Human elephant conflict mitigation education awareness was given to 200 ToT (train-of-trainers) in Monduli, Babati, Same, and Mwanza Districts.

Future plans:

- Continue with the elephant demographic monitoring survey for 29 families
- Expand community HEC mitigation and coexistence awareness creation programs.
- Extend elephant demographic studies to new elephant families at central and southern subpopulations.



Plate 5: Ophelia the female elephant in Tarangire NP boasts impressive, large tusks.



Plate 6: Sakina, a maternal elephant with twin offspring in Tarangire NP

ii. Long-Term Ecological study of the Serengeti Lion

Purpose of the project is to continue enriching the long-term lion demographic database for management of lion population:

Progress made:

- A total of 205 individual from 21 lion prides (Barafu, Cub Valley (Sametu), Gol Kopjes (Simba East), Jua Kali, Kibumbu, Lake Magadi, Loiyangalani, Loliondo, Maasai Kopjes, Mukoma Gypsies, Mukoma Hill, Mukoma Mischief, Naabi, Plains, Tower Hill, Transect, Simba Survivors, Vumbi, Vumbi Kidogo, Young Transect and Zebra Kopjes) were sighted within central Serengeti.
- 13 lion coalitions were sighted (five coalitions of nomads and eight coalitions of resident males)

- On 11th March 2023, a famous male lion known as Bob Junior was killed by a coalition of five males at Kibumbu Kopjes
- Monitoring records from 2018 to 2023 showed that Bob Jr had fathered a total of 19 cubs of which 4 were males, and 15 females
- In mitigating human-lion conflicts in Western Serengeti, one male lion was translocated from Bukore village and released at Central Seronera
- One case of “Squamous cell carcinoma” virus was recorded from Naabi pride.

Future Plans

- To continue monitoring of the Serengeti lion population within the core study zones and adjacent Ikorongo and Grumeti Game Reserves (IGGR)
- To continue monitoring dispersal males’ movement behaviour and human-lion conflict on communities adjacent to PAs
- To continue monitoring health status of the Serengeti Lion populations

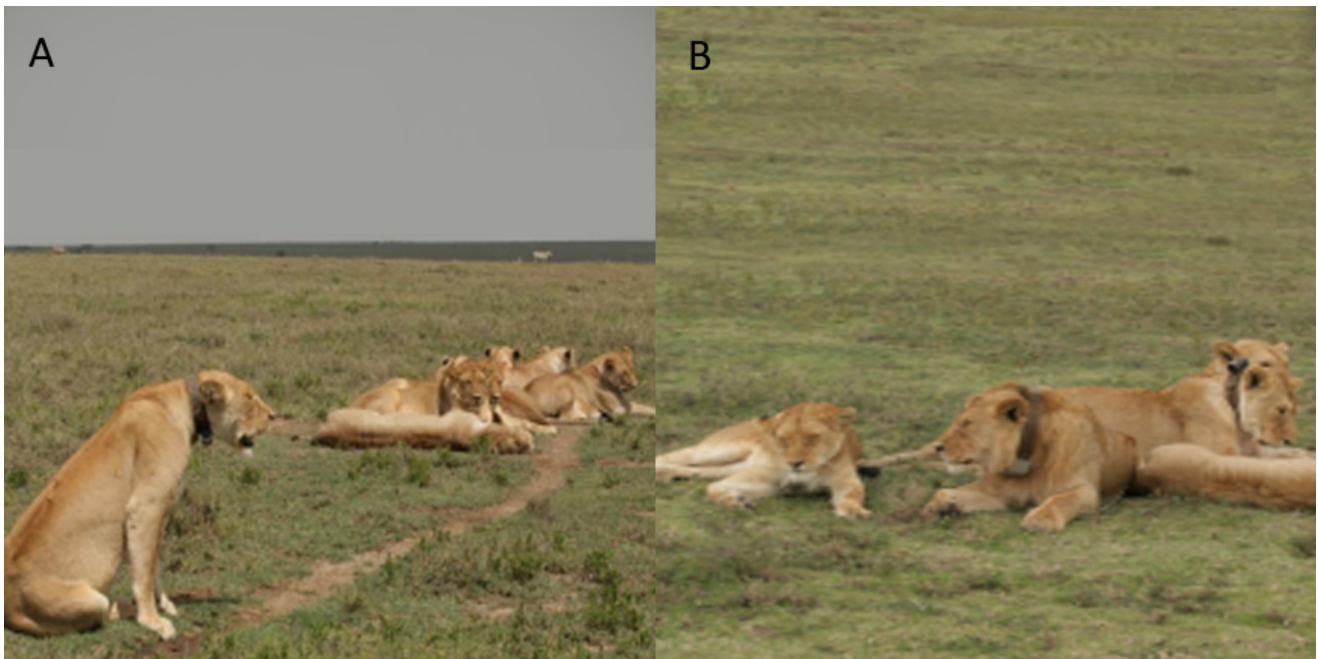


Plate 7: Cub valley (a) and transect (b) prides sighted in the Serengeti National Park

2.2.1.10 Status of the Mahale-Katavi Wildlife Corridor in two villages of Isengule and Kasangantongwe in Tanganyika District

The purpose of the project was to investigate practise of land use plans in two villages within wildlife corridors in Tanganyika district

Key findings:

- Knowledge of the presence of the wildlife corridor that partly cuts across their villages
- Claims of lack of understanding of boundaries of the corridor and hence make difficult to distinguish the corridor from other areas where they can carry out their economic activities such as agriculture, livestock grazing, etc
- Reported that historically the corridor was used by wildlife
- The corridor is still live as it is used by elephant and few resident animals
- Noted ongoing Human activities in the corridor such as agriculture, livestock grazing, poaching, logging, and charcoal making.

iv. Chimpanzee Survey

The purpose of the survey was to estimate Chimpanzee population in the Masito-Ugalla Ecosystem covered an area of about 5,756 km²

Key findings:

- A population of about 700 chimpanzees was recorded
- Other large mammal species recorded includes wild dog lion, leopard, hyena, buffalo, elephant, and zebra.
- Notable anthropogenic activities including deforestation to establish crop farms, illegal human settlements, logging, traditional beehive practices, and cattle herding.

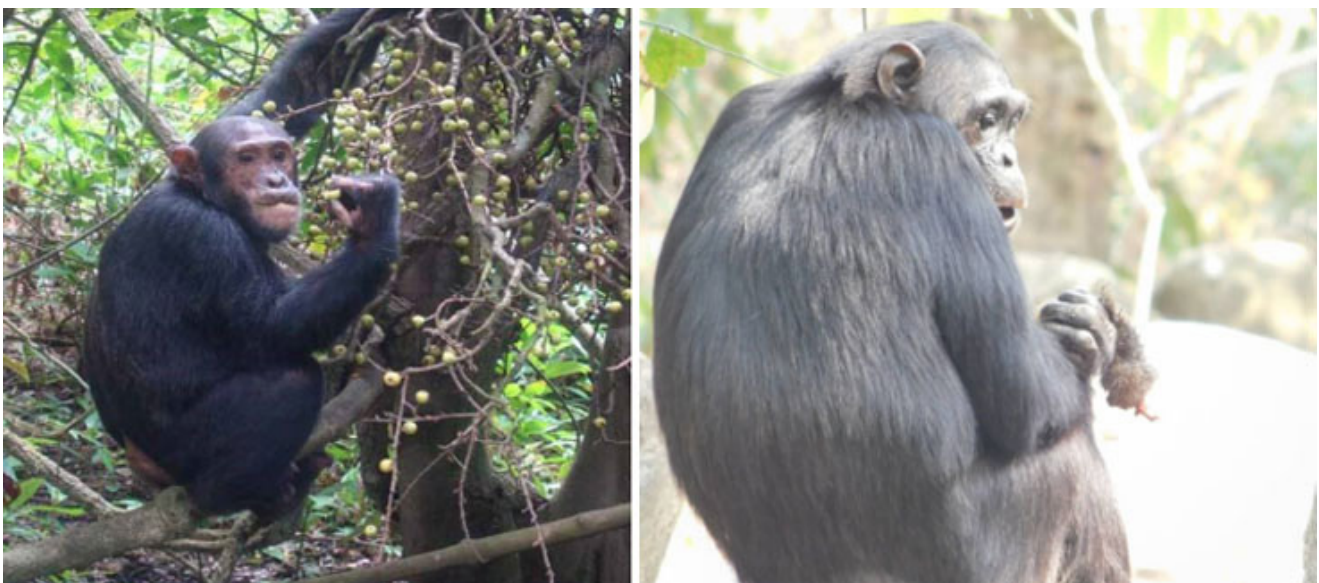


Plate 8: Sighted Chimpanzees in Masito Ugalla ecosystem, Tanzania.

2.2.1.3 Long term Wildlife Population Monitoring

Improve Wildlife Population Monitoring and Wildlife Census

The purpose of wildlife census is to generate numbers of animals, determine their distribution, and anthropogenic activities undertaken in or adjacent to protected areas. Four wildlife censuses were conducted in collaboration with other stakeholders (TANAPA, TAWA, FZS, NCAA, and RTI Tuhifadhi Maliasili).

i. Nyerere-Selous-Mikumi Ecosystem

This census was conducted in October-November 2022 and covered an area of 104,143 Km²

Key findings:

- Animals with that showed stable population (No significant changes in animal numbers):

Animal	Before	Current
Elephant	15,501 ± 1,819 SE	20,006 ± 1,793 SE
Duiker	11,021 ± 741 SE	16,758 ± 963 SE
Hippo	31,086 ± 4,934 SE	29,071 ± 4,146 SE
Giraffe	1,858 ± 461 SE	1,679 ± 555 SE
Wildebeest	22,740 ± 3,330 SE	19,060 ± 2,906 SE

- Animals with a notable population decrease

Animal	Before	Current
Impala	19,296 ± 3124 SE	14,031 ± 2,016 SE
Puku	1,579 ± 586 SE	496 ± 186 SE
Buffalo	66,546 ± 11,470 SE	59,878 ± 9,518 SE
Kongoni	23,250 ± 2,853 SE	18,361 ± 1,853 SE

- Human activities observed in or adjacent to PAs

Human encroachment	Before	Current
Cattle	678,303 ± 73,205 SE	799,411 ± 41,997 SE
Shoats	171,893 ± 27,304 SE	179,330 ± 17,448 SE
Sawpits	9,015 ± 772 SE	15,657 ± 4,633 SE
Huts with mabati roofs	13,611 ± 5,566 SE	16,813 ± 2,558 SE

In general, though recent trends indicate stability for some species, the long-term trends indicate declining wildlife populations in this ecosystem.

ii. Wildebeest Census in the Greater Serengeti Ecosystem

This census was conducted from 28th to 31th March, 2023 covering an area of 4,782 km²:

Key findings:

- A Population of 1,571,960 individuals was estimated.
- Population trend revealed an increase of 171,000 individuals compared to the previous census.
- Most wildebeest were distributed across the southern Serengeti short grass plains.
- Notably, high concentrations of wildebeest were found in the north-western Ngorongoro crater area.

Conservation recommendations:

- The study emphasizes repeated wildebeests counts for a long-term monitoring of the population trends.
- Actions should be taken to mitigate or remove anthropogenic activities in or adjacent to the PAs

iii. Saadani-Wami Mbiki Ecosystem

This survey was conducted in September 2022, covering Saadani National Park and Wami-Mbiki Game Reserve with a total area of 3,485 km²

- Low Wildlife sightings were noted in the two protected areas hindering reliable population estimates.

Saadani NP		Wami-mbiki Game Reserve	
Animals	Number	Animal	Number
Elephant	47	Duiker	53
Reedbuck	43	Impala	46
Impala	37	Bushbuck	46
Hippos	36	Kongoni	1
Elands	36	Reedbuck	1
Waterbucks	28	Warthog	1
Kongoni	35		
Wild pigs	24		

- Human Activity: Signs of human encroachment were found in both areas, including livestock grazing, charcoal kilns, and temporary settlements.
- A significant number of cattle 3,207 and 305 shoats were observed in both parks, potentially impacting wildlife presence and lowering overall sighting rates.
- The information generated did not qualify to generate population estimates hence, repeated surveys should be conducted with improvements of counting techniques and population estimates.

iv. Wildlife Corridors Survey (Mahale-Katavi and Moyowosi-Burigi-Chato)

This survey was carried out from 30th November to 22nd December 2022 to assess the status of human activities in two designated wildlife corridors of Mahale-Katavi and Moyowosi-Burigi-Chato which covers an area of 10,901 km².

Key findings:

- Population estimate of cattle and shoats:
- In Mahale-Gombe corridor was 52,783±26,878 cattle and 26,878 ± 4,761 shoats.
- In Kigosi-Burigi-Chato and Katavi wildlife corridor 5,143±2,300 cattle were recorded.
- High human encroachment was revealed.
- These human activities in the surveyed area, in one way or another, deny chimpanzees' key requirements such as food, nesting trees, and cover, thus, expose them to dangers of starvation, predation, poaching, or contracting infectious diseases

2.2.2 Donor Funded Collaborative Research Projects

During the reporting period, the Institute conducted a total of twenty-five donor funded projects as follows;

- i. Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF): Reducing an Emerging Health Threat in Tanzania.
- ii. Population size, movements, and ecology of vultures in protected areas of Tanzania. A case study of the Serengeti Ecosystem.
- iii. Assessment of drivers of bushmeat consumption and trade in western Serengeti.
- iv. Perceptions of electric fencing as a human-wildlife conflict management tool in the western Serengeti.
- v. Black rhino research project in the Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
- vi. Application of modern technology to wildlife survey techniques.
- vii. Conducting a population dynamics study of the lion in the Ruvuma landscape Tanzania.
- viii. Biodiversity data collection and training Conservationists in East and West Usambara, Tanzania.
- ix. Balancing conservation goals and human livelihood needs: beekeeping as an incentive for conservation of chimpanzee habitat in the Masito-Ugalla Ecosystem.
- x. Application of GPS technology in understanding seasonal movement, drivers to human- elephant conflicts and suggesting mitigation along Mwiba, Makao Open Area and Maswa Game Reserve boundaries.
- xi. Biodiversity surveys for sustainable conservation of Usangu area in Ruaha-Rungwa Ecosystem, Tanzania.
- xii. Changes from consumptive to non-consumptive use of wildlife in Msolwa area: Effects on wildlife population and tourism development in Nyerere National Park, Tanzania.
- xiii. Serengeti Wild dog Conservation Project.
- xiv. Improving telemetry technology application in monitoring Black Rhinoceros and African elephant in Ngorongoro Conservation Area, Tanzania.
- xv. The Range and Interaction of the wildebeest *Connochaetes taurinus* in the increasing human pressure in Tanzania.

- xvi. Long-term ecological study of African lion *Panthera leo* in Serengeti National Park Tanzania: Understanding population biology and behaviour of Top – Order Predator in an African Savannah ecosystem.
- xvii. Biodiversity Monitoring of major river ecosystems using environmental DNA (eDNA) in Tanzania protected areas. Range use shift by the yellow baboon (*Papio cynocephalus*, Linnaeus, 1766) in Mikumi national park, Tanzania.
- xviii. The indirect effects of Human-Elephant interactions in communities Adjacent to Mikumi NP.
- xix. Evaluation of the role of provision of education in children of indigenous people in improving community livelihood in Ngorongoro Conservation Area.

2.2.3 Special Assignments

- i. Habitat suitability assessment for the reintroduction of Southern central black rhino *Diceros bicornis minor* in the Nyerere national Park.
- ii. Habitat suitability for the introduction of Southern white rhino *Ceratotherium simum simum* in Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
- iii. Status and control of human-bat conflicts in Dar es Salaam City Council.
- iv. Planning and translocation of three black rhinos from Tsavo west in Kenya to Ngorongoro Conservation Area as a Presidential gift from Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta of the Republic of Kenya to Hon. Samia Suluhu Hassan of the United Republic of Tanzania.

2.2.4 Scientific Papers published in Peer-Reviewed Journals

During the financial year 2022/23 a total of 19 scientific papers were published in peer-reviewed journals, two (2) book chapters, and eight (8) scientific papers were published in the proceedings of the 13th TAWIRI Scientific Conference.

2.2.4.1 Peer Reviewed Journal Paper

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- ii. Erik F. Sørensen, R. Alan Harris, Liye Zhang, Muthuswamy Raveendran, Lukas F. K. Kuderna, Jerilyn A. Walker, Jessica M. Storer, Martin Kuhlwilm, Claudia Fontsero, Lakshmi Seshadri, Christina M. Bergey, Andrew S. Burrell, Juraj Bergmann, Jane E. Phillips-Conroy, Fekadu Shiferaw, Kenneth L. Chiou, Idrissa S. Chuma, Julius D. Keyyu, Julia Fischer, Marie-Claude Gingras, Sejal Salvi, Harshavardhan Doddapaneni, Mikkel H. Schierup, Mark A. Batzer, Clifford J. Jolly, Sascha Knauf, Dietmar Zinner, Kyle K.-H. Farh, Tomas Marques-Bonet, Kasper Munch, Christian Roos, Jeffrey Rogers (2023) Genome-wide coancestry reveals details of ancient and recent male-driven reticulation in baboons. Short title: Baboon evolutionary reticulation. *Science*, Manuscript ID abn8153. Accepted on 03 October 2022, To Copy editing. *32 authors.

- iii. Mgr. Klára Janečková; Christian Roos; Pavla Fedrová; Nikola Tom; Darina Čejková; Simone Lueert; Julius D. Keyyu; Idrissa S. Chuma; Sascha Knauf; David Šmajš (2022) Genomes of *Treponema pallidum* subsp. *pertenue* of nonhuman primate and human origin are identical. *Lancet Global Health*. Accepted on 17.10.2022.
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- i. Nkwabi, A.K., Kavana P.Y. (2023). Influence of agriculture on the resilience and trophic cascade in a savanna bird community of the Serengeti ecosystem, Tanzania. *Birds Conservation, Research and Ecology*. IntechOpen. DOI: 10.5772/intechopen.1001358.
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2.2.4.3 Papers presented in Scientific Conferences by June 2023

During the financial year 2022/23 a total of eight (8) scientific papers were published in the proceedings of the 13th TAWIRI Scientific Conference held on 6th - 8th December, 2021 in Arusha, Tanzania as follows:

- i. Odass Bilame and Janemary Ntalwila (2022). Industrialisation, Inclusive Green Growth, and Shared Prosperity Can Tanzania attain a Win-Win Solution without Compromising biodiversity? In: Proceedings of the 13th TAWIRI Scientific Conference held on 6th - 8th December, 2021 at Arusha International Conference Center.
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- iii. Dennis Ikanda, Alphonse Msigwa, Bernard Kissui, Emmanuel Lufilisha, Godlove Mpembeni, Wilson Maanga and Idris Chuma (2021). Social distancing individuals in a translocation raises prospects for filial infanticide in a captive Serengeti lion pride. In: Proceedings of the 13th TAWIRI Scientific Conference held on 6th - 8th December, 2021 at Arusha International Conference Center.
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- vi. Nicephor Lesio, Bwenda Nyundo, Masoud Muruke, and Emmanuel Mmassy (2021). Indigenous knowledge of beekeepers on honeybees’ morphology and behaviour variations in the selected parts of Tanzania. In: Proceedings of the 13th TAWIRI Scientific Conference held on 6th - 8th December, 2021 at Arusha International Conference Center.
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2.2.5 Wildlife Research Ethics Clearance and Management

Three Joint Management Research Committee (JMRC) meetings for research ethics clearance were conducted in 2022/23 (Table 3), where a total of 201 applications were tabled. Among those, 126 were new, 59 renewal and 16 amendment applications. Moreover, the number of registered researchers in the year 2022/23 increased from 408 2021/22 to 451. It is impressive that the number of Tanzanian researchers increased from 235 (57.5%) to 276 (61.2%) in 2021/22 and 2022/23 respectively. During the reporting period of 2022/23 four (4) coordination trips were conducted in various areas where researchers are undertaking their research projects.

Table 3: Number of JMRC meetings held for the financial year 2022/23

S/N	JMRC Meetings	Uumber of applications	Renewal	New	Amendments
1	69 th	42	12	27	3
2	70 th	63	17	40	6
3	71 st	96	30	59	7
	Total	201	59	126	16

The National wildlife research agenda has eight (8) priority themes (Table 4). It is clear that most of the research projects conducted in the year 2022/23 focused more on the Wildlife Ecology and Ecological Interactions (n = 85), followed by Biodiversity Conservation (n = 46) priority themes. Water Resources and Wetland Conservation, Beekeeping, Bee Ecology, Bee Products and Pollination Services attracted relatively low research project attention where two research projects for each thematic area were registered (Table 4). The distribution of registered wildlife research projects in relation to the wildlife research agenda is as shown in Table 4 and its details presented in Annex 1.

Table 4: Distribution of registered wildlife research projects in relation to the wildlife research agenda in 2022/23

S/N	Priority theme	Research Ethical Clearance Committee Meeting			Total
		69 th	70 th	71 st	
1	Human Wildlife Interactions	11	11	9	31
2	Biodiversity Conservation	7	19	20	46
3	Water Resources and Wetland Conservation	0	2	0	2
4	Climate Change and Ecosystem Dynamics	3	4	1	8
5	Wildlife Diseases	6	5	5	16
6	Beekeeping, Bee Ecology, Bee products, and Pollination Services	1	0	1	2
7	Wildlife Ecology and Ecological Interactions;	8	24	53	85
8	Natural Resources Governance and Infrastructure Development	2	7	2	11
	Total	38	72	91	201

2.2.6 One Species Management Action Plan developed and reviewed by June 2023

One technical workshop was held at the College of African Wildlife Management in September 2022 to draft the Elephant Management Plan, which was submitted to the Ministry for inputs. The next step involved incorporation of comments from the Ministry, followed by a national stakeholder's validation workshop and submission of the final plan to the Ministry for endorsement.

2.2.7 Other prepared working documents

Over the reporting period the Institute finalised three research development and coordination documents that are imperative in executing day to day activities of the institute;

- i. Tanzania Wildlife Research agenda 2023-2033
- ii. Guidelines for Research Associateship at TAWIRI
- iii. Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for wildlife Research Ethics Clearance

2.2.8 Establish four collaboration with other Local or International Institutions

Four Memorandum of Understanding were signed between the Institute and the following;

- i. The School for Field Studies (The Registered Trustees of Centre for Wildlife Management Studies, Tanzania).
- ii. The Aga Khan University, Arusha - Tanzania (AKU).
- iii. The Wildlife Conservation Society of Tanzania (WCST).
- iv. The Southern Tanzania Elephant Program (STEP).

2.2.9 New Research Projects

The institute in collaboration with national and international researchers developed three donor funded research proposals and submitted to different donors as follows; -

- i. Co-existing with Pangolins through corridor protection for a better future building capacity to empower local communities to protect Pangolins in Kwakuchinja, Nyerere- Selous - Udzungwa and Amani - Nilo corridors, Tanzania. Submitted and funded by USAID - Tuhifadhi Maliasili Project.
- ii. Long-term ecological study of African lion (*Panthera leo*) in Serengeti National Park Tanzania: Understanding population biology and behaviour of Top – Order Predator in an African Savannah ecosystem. Submitted and funded by Bridgearth Wildlife Film Production to the tune of USD 10,000.
- iii. Biodiversity Monitoring of major river ecosystems using environmental DNA (eDNA) in Tanzania protected areas. Submitted and funded by Ratcliffe Foundation to the tune of USD 83,969.62 annually.

2.3 Wildlife Information, Education and Public Relation

2.3.1 Wildlife Education and Information Dissemination

Community Human Elephant Conflict (HEC) outreach training programmes were done to a total of 234 Trainee of Trainers (ToTs) in eight Districts namely Mbarali, Kaliua, Urambo, Mlele, Iringa Rural, Itigi, Kalambo and Nkasi. Beekeeping training was conducted where a total of 455 trainees (Males= 362, Females= 93) from five Districts namely Meatu, Monduli, Karatu, Hai and Meru participated on appropriate beekeeping practices, preparation of bee products and general protection from bees.

One hundred and twenty (120) fifth-year Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine (BVM) students from Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) attended a two weeks training in wildlife capture, handling and immobilisation at Serengeti Wildlife Research Center under the Veterinary Science and Laboratory section as part of their degree curriculum.

During the reporting period, two TAWIRI newsletters (Issue 10 and 11) with a total of 200 copies were produced and distributed for awareness creation and education dissemination to various stakeholders. Other publicity materials that entailed 1000 TAWIRI stickers, 50 banners, 3,000 posters, 350 Calendars and t-shirts, shirts and bags were also produced.

One hundred copies of a technical book that summarises research findings were produced and distributed to conservation stakeholders and the public at large. Also, three documentaries were produced emanating from the institute ongoing research projects and activities.

2.3.2 Publicity through Mass Media

During the reporting period the institute managed to organise 18 and 5, TV and Radio programs respectively. Three special articles were published in the widely read newspapers, also a number of events were posted in facebook and Twitter where a total of 389,000 viewers were recorded.

2.3.3 Meetings with policy makers

During the reporting period TAWIRI participated and provided a seminar to the Permanent Parliamentary committee of Land, Natural Resources and Tourism on 17th -18th, July 2022.

2.3.4 Special lectures for education and awareness

A total of thirty lectures were delivered to tourist groups covering different conservation topics namely wildlife conservation challenges in Tanzania, Human-wildlife conflicts, invasive species management in the Serengeti ecosystem, human-elephant conflicts, Serengeti lion ecology, and wildlife ecology and behaviour.

2.4 Wildlife health surveillance, disease monitoring and control

During the reporting period, the section conducted the following activities;

2.4.1 Investigation of wildlife diseases reported in various areas in Tanzania

A total of seven wildlife disease investigations were executed (Table 5).

Table 5: Investigation of wildlife diseases reported in various areas in Tanzania

S/N	Date	Wildlife involved and Districts	Diseases Suspected	Activities
1	November 2022	Eight Zebra and Four Giraffes in West Kili-manjaro Area (Longido and Siha districts)	Confirmed through microscopic examination Bacillus Anthracis	Carcasses destroyed and community awareness
2	October 2022	Elephant deaths In Nduvu area	Highly decomposed carcass	Community awareness raising
3	October/ Nov 2022	Elephant deaths in Babati and Kiteto	Highly decomposed carcass	Community awareness raising
4	November 2022	Giraffe in Ruaha	Giraffe Skin disease	Sampling, Treatment trial and 18 Collaring of Giraffes for monitoring
5	March 2023	Bats in Dar es salaam	Zoonotic disease surveillance	Capture sampling and pilot control trial
6	March 2023	Eland in Nduvu Area	Bilateral blindness	Sampling, symptomatic treatment
7	April 2023	162 Impala, 9 waterbucks, 1 dikdik 1 and 1 baboon in Tarangire NP	Confirmed cases of Anthrax	Burning of carcasses, disinfection and vaccination of Livestock in neighbouring villages in Monduli and Babati Districts

2.4.2 Mitigation of Human-Wildlife Conflict

In efforts to minimise Human-Wildlife-Conflicts, the Institute participated in six cases of wild-life capture and translocation in various areas in the country (Table 6).

Table 6: Resolved HWC cases

S/N	Wildlife involved in the conflict	Captured in	Translocated to
1	Lion in Kipatimo village in Kilwa District	Kipataimo near Selous	Government facility – Dar es salaam
2	Four Lions in human settlement in Kakonko	Human settlements in Kakonko District, Kigoma	Burigi-Chato National Park
3	Six Lions in Mdori village Babati District	Burunge WMA	Tarangire NP
4	Two Lions in Magala Village Babati District	Magala village	Tarangire NP
5	Lions in Muheza	Were not captured but they crossed to Mkomazi NP	
6	Lions in Iringa	Not yet captured One group is back in Ruaha	

2.4.3 Collaring and translocation of wildlife

Different wildlife species were collared as shown in Table 7.

Table 7: Collared wildlife species

S/N	Spp and Number of wildlife	Activity	Reason	Location
1	1 female Wild dog	GPS collar deployment	Population monitoring and movement ecology	Rukwa Game reserve
2	3 Male Lions	GPS collar deployment	male dispersal behaviour	Serengeti NP
3	2Alpha male Wild dogs, female Lion	GPS collar deployment	Carnivore population Monitoring	Ruaha NP Mikumi NP Nyerere NP/ Selous GR
4	3 elephants	GPS collar deployment	Movement ecology in Human-Elephant conflicts	Nachingwea, Liwale and Lindi district
5	8 Elephants	7 GPS collar deployment	Movement ecology in Human-Elephant conflicts	Maswa- Serengeti and Ngorongoro
6	5 Elephants	3 recollaring	Movement ecology	Tarangire Manyara ecosystem

2.4.4 Translocation for conservation purposes

The Institute in collaboration with other conservation organisations successfully conducted capture and translocation of wildlife for conservation to various areas as detailed below;

- i. A total of 28 Black rhinoceros were captured in Serengeti National Park and 10 Black Maswa and Ikorongo Game reserves for identification using ear notching and transponder; and deployment of tracking gadgets for monitoring and security.
- ii. Capture and translocation of wildlife to Government zoological gardens to Mlimwa (4 giraffes, 2 Zebra, 6 Impala); to Mayamaya (10 Zebra, 10 wildebeest, 7 Thomson gazelle, 4 Bushbuck and 10 guinea fowls, 2 Ostriches) and Dar es Salaam (4 impala).
- iii. Translocation of Wildlife from Makoia Farm in Kilimanjaro region to Tabora zoo (Lion, leopard, serval, wildebeest, 4 owls, velvet monkey, blue monkey, pelican, white stock, marabou stock, wild pig); to Mkomazi NP (5 elephants and 4 zebra).

2.4.5 Attending sick wildlife

Six wildlife species were treated as shown in Table 8.

Table 8: Sick wildlife attended

	Wildlife species	Diagnosis/ problem	Activity	Progress	Location
1	Adult Male Rhino "Eddie"	Standing and walking difficulties	Translocated in the Boma for Treatment close monitoring	Poor prognosis	Ikorongo
2	Male Ostrich	Diarrhoea	Sampling and treatment	Died later, post-mortem revealed ingestion of nails	Mlimwa government Zoological Garden Dodoma
3	Male Zebra	Wire snare	Snare removal and wound dressing	Animal walked freely	Serengeti National Park
4	Female Zebra	Wire snare	Snare removal and wound dressing	Good progress	Kili Golf Arusha
5	Male Zebra	Burnt wound	Wound dressing	Good progress	Ikorongo Game reserve
6	Female Lion	Limping due to wound	Wound dressing	Good progress	Serengeti National Park

2.4.6 ANIMAL RESCUE

Communities leaving close to protected areas have reported an increasing number of wildlife stuck in open water bodies. To resolve reported tragedies, the Institute conducted various rescue missions in Hai, Manyara and Mbulu Districts (Table 9).

Table 9: Wildlife rescue missions

S/N	Month	Issue	Rescue mission	Location
1	October 2022	1 adult elephant was stuck in a pond	Refill the pond with stones	Enduimet
2	October 2022	1 Juvenile giraffe in a pond	Excavate the edges of the pond and pulled	Maji marefu
3	January 2023	3 adult female Elephants were stuck in a pond	Excavate the pond edges and pulled	Landilen
4	March 2023	Four intruder cheetahs in a wildlife captive facility	Open the fence and let them free in wildlife corridor	Siha district
5	May 2023	Infant elephant stuck in a pond	Excavate the dam edges and the elephant was taken to Tabora zoo	Mbulu DC to Tabora Zoo

In addition, wildlife in the Nyerere National Park that were trapped during impoundment of the reservoir for Julius Nyerere Hydropower Plant were rescued as shown in Table 10.

Table 10: Translocated wildlife species

S/N	Species	Number
1	Elephant	1
2	Buffalo	24
3	Impala	41
4	Dik dik	1
5	Zebra	9
6	Greater kudu	4
7	African civet	1
8	Bushbuck	14
	Total	95

2.5 Consultancy Services

During the reporting period, the Institute conducted three consultancy services as follows;

- i. Environmental and Social Impact Assessment of the proposed 220 kV (63km) power transmission line from Rumakali HPP in Busokelo District Council to Iganjo sub- station in Mbeya Municipality: Client-TANESCO.
- ii. Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) of the proposed 400 kV (172km) power transmission line from Ruhudji HPP to Kisada sub-station in Njombe region: Client-TANESCO.
- iii. Wildlife Monitoring programme for the Kenya-Tanzania Power Interconnection Project (KTPIP). Client: AfDB and JICA.

Chapter Three

3.0 Planned Activities for the Year 2023/2024

During the financial year 2023/2024, the institute plan to implement the following activities according to the Strategic Plan as follows;

- i. To conduct demand driven wildlife research projects of interest to stakeholders
- ii. Carry-out four wildlife censuses in different ecosystems/ Protected Areas namely Serengeti ecosystem, Tarangire-Manyara ecosystem, Countrywide hippo survey and Katavi-Rukwa Lion survey
- iii. Coordinate and supervise wildlife research in the country
- iv. Carry-out survey on beekeeping resources base and training on appropriate beekeeping techniques throughout the country
- v. Continue with the human-wildlife conflicts research and training of mitigation measures
- vi. Construction and renovation of Institute buildings
- vii. Organise and convene the 14th TAWIRI scientific conference
- viii. Increase revenue collection and improvement of ICT infrastructure
- ix. Dissemination of research results to various stakeholders

Chapter Four

4.0 General Institutional Performance

4.1 Corporate Governance

4.1.1 The Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of TAWIRI consists of nine members, with the Director General as a Secretary of the Board. During the last financial year under review, the Board convened two meetings, of which one was ordinary, and one was a special meeting.

4.1.2 Board Committees

The Board of Directors has three committees namely; Research Programme Committee (RPC), Administration and Finance Committee (AFC) and Audit Committee (AC). During the reporting

Table 11: Board committee meetings

S/N	Board Committees Meetings	Number of Meetings
1	Research Programme Committee	2
2	Administration and Finance Committee	1
3	Audit Committee	2
	Total	5

The low number of meetings during the year was due to the fact that the Board was inaugurated in the second half of the financial year (January 2023).

4.1.3 Management Team

The Management has 17 members as per the Institute organogram. During the reporting period, eight Management meetings, one Workers council and one workers meeting were conducted.

4.1.4 Strategic Corporate Documents

The Institute prepared and submitted two documents namely; TAWIRI Incentive Scheme and Client Service Charter to the Treasury Registrar (TR) for review. After incorporating the TR

inputs, the documents were submitted to the Permanent Secretary, President's Office, Public Service Management, and Good Governance for quality assurance and endorsement.

4.2 Staff Matters

4.2.1 Recruitment

The Institute continued to recruit dedicated and competent staff through competitive procedures and the provision of various capacity-building programmes and maintained its recruitment policy during the reporting period review by providing equal opportunity. This enabled the recruitment of most appropriate candidates available in the market competitively and transparently to ensure that the functions of the Institute are performed effectively.

The approved staff establishment is 350. During the reporting period, 12 staff were recruited, making a total of 123 staff compared to 108 staff during the year 2021/22, the staff sex ratio was Males 89 (72%) and Females 34 (28%).

4.2.2 Institute Capacity Building

During this period, several employees attended long-term and short-term training, and some were still attending studies in various Institutions. A total of 44 employees attended short courses and 6 were on study leave pursuing various courses: 4 Ph.D, 1 Msc, and 1 BSc.

4.3 Planning and Budgeting

The Annual Plan and Budget are prepared based on the TAWIRI Strategic Plan 2021/22-2025/26 and The Budget Act No.11 of 2015. Government Subvention which forms 80% of the total revenue has continued to finance the Institute's operations. Further, internally generated income and other income form 20% of the total revenue.

Chapter Five

5.0 Achievements, Challenges and Future Plan

5.1 Achievements

- i. Conducted nine strategic wildlife research projects and 21 donor funded projects and results results shared with stakeholders
- ii. Coordinated and supervised 201 research projects in the country and increased the number of Tanzanian researchers.
- iii. Amendment of the TAWIRI Act CAP 260 RE 2021
- iv. Conducted four wildlife censuses and results shared with wildlife Management authorities for informed decisions.
- v. Enhanced capacity of TAWIRI staff in various fields and specialisation on conservation science.
- vi. Securing land for establishment of office for the Southern Highlands Wildlife Research Centre at Kihesa-Kilolo, Iringa Municipality.
- vii. Innovation of renewable energy (briquettes) using invasive plants.
- viii. Provided training on human-wildlife conflict mitigation measures in 26 out of 53 Districts with high incidences of wildlife conflicts.
- ix. Captured and translocated wildlife in the country from one place to another for conflict mitigation and conservation purposes.

5.2 Challenges

- i. **Inadequate funding:** The Institute only received 66% of the total approved Other Charges budget of 4.21 billion. This deficit affected the implementation of planned activities of the Institute.
- ii. **Inadequate working facilities and infrastructure:** The Institute had inadequate working facilities and infrastructures such as office space, vehicles, ICT and research equipment.
- iii. **Lack of TAWIRI Head office building at Njiro Arusha:** This activity was not implemented due to lack of development funds.

5.3 Strategies to overcome the challenges

- i. To create new sources of internal revenue
- ii. To write competitive grant research proposals
- iii. Formation of Consultancy Bureau within TAWIRI
- iv. To create a conducive staff working environment as well as retention and motivation of competent researchers



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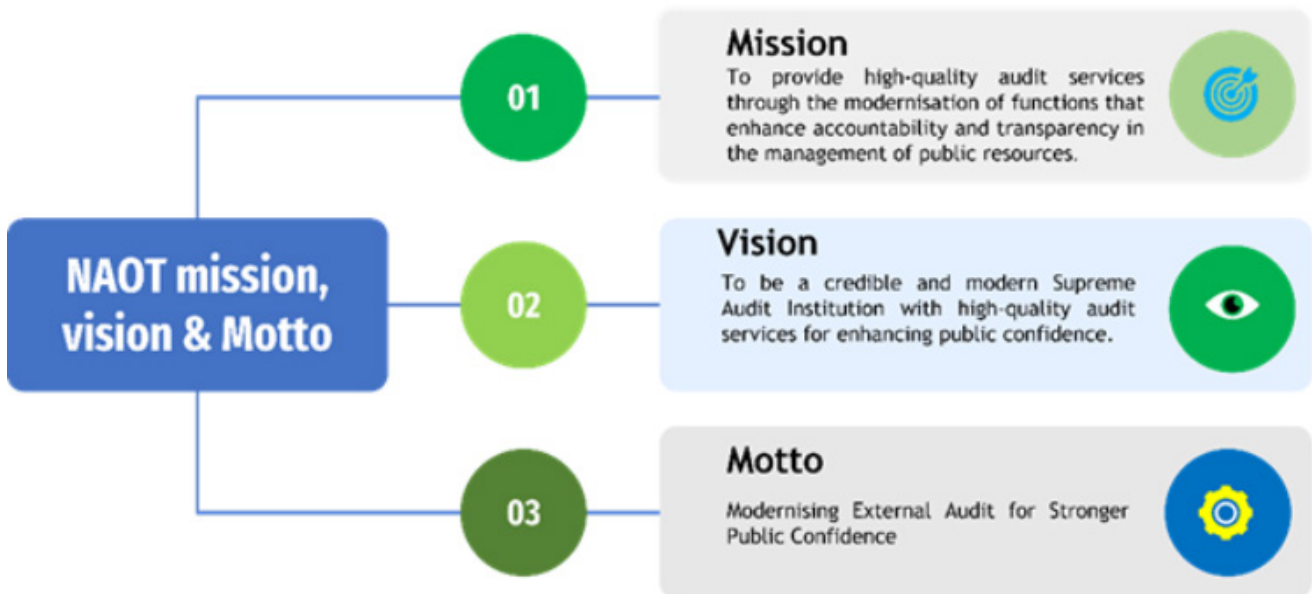
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Mandate

The statutory mandate and responsibilities of the Controller and Auditor-General are provided for under Article 143 of the Constitution of the United Republic of Tanzania of 1977 and in Section 10 (1) of the Public Audit Act, Cap 418 [R.E 2021].



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Abbreviations

CAG	Controller and Auditor General
HIV/AIDS	Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
HQ	Head Quarter
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
IPSAS	International Public Sector Accounting Standards
IPSASB	International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board
ISSAI	International Standards of Supreme Audit Institutions
NAO	National Audit Office
NBAA	National Board of Accountants and Auditors
PE	Personal Emoluments
TAWIRI	Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute
TZS	Tanzania Shillings
URT	United Republic of Tanzania

1.0 INDEPENDENT REPORT OF THE CONTROLLER AND AUDITOR GENERAL

The Chairperson of Governing Board,
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1.1 REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Unqualified Opinion

I have audited the financial statements of Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023, and the statement of financial performance, statement of changes in net assets and cash flow statement and the statement of comparison of budget and actual amounts for the year then ended, as well as the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly in all material respects, the financial position of Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI) as at 30 June 2023, and its financial performance and its cashflows for the year then ended in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs) Accrual basis of accounting and in the manner required by the Public Finance Act, Cap. 348.

Basis for Opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with International Standards of Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAIs). My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the below section entitled "Responsibilities of the Controller and Auditor General for the Audit of the Financial Statements". I am independent of Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI) in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code) together with the National Board of Accountants and Auditors (NBAA) Code of Ethics, and I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide the basis for my opinion.

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in my professional judgment, were of most significance in my audit of the financial statements of the current period. I have determined that there are no key audit matters to communicate in my report.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Report of Governing Board and the Declaration by the Head of Finance but does not include

the financial statements and my audit report thereon which I obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report.

My opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. In connection with my audit of the financial statements, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or my knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work I have performed on the other information that I obtained prior to the date of this audit report, I conclude that there is no material misstatement of this other information. I have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IPSAS, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the entity's financial reporting process.

Responsibilities of the Controller and Auditor General for the Audit of the Financial Statements

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an audit report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISSAI will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISSAIs, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. I also:

Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.

Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my audit report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my audit report. However, future events or conditions may cause the entity to cease to continue as a going concern.

Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

I also provide those charged with governance with a statement that I have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on my independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, I determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. I describe these matters in my audit report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, I determine that a matter should not be communicated in my report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

In addition, Section 10 (2) of the Public Audit Act, Cap 418 [R.E 2021] requires me to satisfy myself that, the accounts have been prepared in accordance with the appropriate accounting standards.

Further, Section 48 (3) of the Public Procurement Act, Cap 410 [R.E 2022] requires me to state in my annual audit report whether or not the audited entity has complied with the procedures prescribed in the Procurement Act and its Regulations

1.2 REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH LEGISLATIONS

1.2.1 Compliance with the Public Procurement laws

Subject matter: Compliance audit on procurement of works, goods, and services

I performed a compliance audit on procurement of goods, works and services in the Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI) for the financial year 2022/23 as per the Public Procurement laws.

Conclusion

Based on the audit work performed, I state that, except for the matters described below, procurement of goods, works and services of Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI) is generally in compliance with the requirements of the Public Procurement laws.

Advance payment effected without submission of the bank guarantee/unconditional performance security

Advance payment for TZS 356,820,511 (USD 153,141.85) were effected on 22 July 2022 for provision of service and maintenance of aircraft (5H-TWR CESSNA182) with contract awarded to Central Aviation Services Limited without submission of the bank guarantee/unconditional performance security as required by section 20 of the Special Condition of the Contract and regulation 29 of the Public Procurement Regulations, 2013 revised 2016. Further the performance bond/conditional performance security with reference number 216 dated 13 June 2022 from Phoenix Assurance was submitted by the service provider before advance payment was effected.

Non-issuance of notices of intention to award contracts to bidders

Notification of the intention to award contracts during the period under review were not issued for 19 tenderers for procurements worth TZS 521,587,787 as required Reg. 231 (2) of the Public Procurement Regulations, 2013 (amended 2016).

Rejection of lowest evaluated bidders without documented justification

The lowest evaluated bidders were rejected and award of contracts was made to six second lowest evaluated bidders for procurements totaling to TZS 127,798,166 without documented justification in the minutes of tender board meeting as required by Reg. 237 (3) of the Public Procurement Regulations, 2013 (amended 2016).

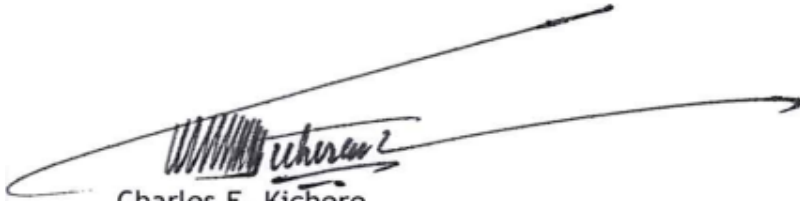
1.2.2 Compliance with the Budget Act and other Budget Guidelines

Subject matter: Budget formulation and execution

I performed a compliance audit on budget formulation and execution in the Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute for the financial year 2022/23 as per the Budget Act and other Budget Guidelines.

Conclusion

Based on the audit work performed, I state that Budget formulation and execution of Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI) is generally in compliance with the requirements of the Budget Act and other Budget Guidelines.



Charles E. Kichere
Controller and Auditor General,
Dodoma, United Republic of Tanzania.
January 2024



2.0 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

REPORT OF THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

2.1 INTRODUCTION

The Board of Directors has the pleasure of submitting the financial statements of the Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI) for the financial year ended 30 June 2023. The financial statements which disclose the Institute's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and results of its operations for the year ended.

2.2 ESTABLISHMENT

TAWIRI was established by Act No. 4 of 1980 as amended by Act No. 10 of 1999 revised 2021 enacted by the Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania.

2.3 OBJECTIVES, VISION AND MISSION

The main objectives of TAWIRI are: -

- To promote the development, improvement and protection of the wildlife industry in the United Republic;
- To carry out, and promote the carrying out of, enquiries, experiments and research in wildlife and in wildlife environment generally;
- To continue, develop and finalize all on going or projected wildlife research in the United Republic; and
- To carry out research and investigation into various aspects of wildlife for the purpose of establishing, improving or developing modern methods or techniques of wildlife and environmental conservation and the management, collection and use of wildlife and wildlife products.
- To carry out research and investigation into wildlife diseases and their causes to develop a way of preventing or controlling the occurrence of particular wildlife diseases or any category of them;
- To co-ordinate all wildlife research which is carried out within the United Republic;
- To establish and operate a system of documentation and dissemination of the findings of inquiries, experiments and research carried out by or on behalf of the Institute, or other information on wildlife acquired by the Institute;
- To undertake the collection, preparation, publication and distribution of statistics relating to wildlife, and promote and develop instruction and training in wildlife;
- In co-operation with the Government or any persons, within or outside the United Republic, to promote or provide facilities for the instruction and training of national personnel for carrying out wildlife research, and for the management of the wildlife industry;
- To advise the Government, public institutions and other persons or bodies of persons engaged in the wildlife industry in the United Republic on the practical application of the findings of inquiries, experiments and research carried out by or on behalf of the Institute;
- To assume responsibility for the control and management of the business and affairs of any Center established or deemed to have been established by or under this Act;

- To do anything or enter into any transaction which, in the opinion of the Board, is necessary or desirable for the better performance of the functions of the Institute under this Act.

VISION

To be a center of excellence in advising and providing scientific information on biodiversity conservation and management at national and international levels.

MISSION

Conducting and coordinating wildlife research and share scientific information with stakeholders for sustainable biodiversity conservation.

2.4 MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of the Institute consists of 10 Directors. The Board met twice during the reporting year ordinary meetings and endorsed Research Applications for financial year 2022/23, Annual Procurement Plan 2022/23 and its review, Annual and quarterly implementation Reports of Procurement Plan 2022/23, Statement of Financial Performance for 2022/23, budget and budget review of 2022/23, quarterly financial performance reports for 2022/23, Performance contracts for 2022/23, Performance contracts implementations reports for 2022/23, quarterly budget implementation reports for 2022/23, approved audited Financial Statement 2022 and endorsed seven staff to Management positions which were Acting. Also approved confirmation and promotion of employees, transfers and long-term training. Below is the list of the members of TAWIRI Board of Directors as at the date of this report.

S/n	Name	Position	Age	Nationality	Appointed	Expire of Tenure	No of Meetings	Qualification
1.	Dr. David N. Manyanza	Chairperson	76	Tanzanian	18.09.2022	06.11.2025	2	PhD. Behavioural Ecology
2.	Dr. Maurus j. Msuha	Member	56	Tanzanian	07.11.2022	06.11.2025	2	PhD. Biological Anthropology
3.	CC. William S. Mwakilema	Member	59	Tanzanian	07.11.2022	06.11.2025	2	MSc. Tourism Development
4.	DCC. Needpeace J. Wambuya	Member	51	Tanzanian	07.11.2022	06.11.2025	2	MBA Finance and Banking
5.	CC. Mabula M. Misungwi	Member	59	Tanzanian	07.11.2022	06.11.2025	2	MSc. Natural Resource Assessment and management
6.	Brig. Gen (rtd) Mary B. Hiki	Member	65	Tanzanian	07.11.2022	06.11.2025	2	Dipl. Accountancy, auditing and Strategic Studies
7.	Prof. Jafari R. Kideghesho	Member	60	Tanzanian	07.11.2022	06.11.2025	2	PhD. Conservation Biology
8.	Dr. Amani Ngusaru	Member	60	Tanzanian	07.11.2022	06.11.2025	2	PhD. Earth Sciences
9.	Adv. Mercy E. Mrutu,	Member	52	Tanzanian	07.11.2022	06.11.2025	2	LLM in ICT Law
10	Dr. Eblate E. Mjingo	Secretary	55	Tanzanian	07.11.2022	06.11.2025	2	PhD. Population Genetics and Molecular Forensic

Committees of the Board of Directors

There are three Committees of the Board in order to ensure high standard of corporate governance throughout the institute. The composition and responsibilities of each committee were as hereunder:

a) Research Programmes Committee

The list of Research Programmes Committee members by the date of this report are shown below:

S/No	Name	Position	Qualification	No of meetings	Responsibilities
1.	Dr. Amani Ngusaru	Chairperson	PhD. Earth Sciences	2	Responsible for setting direction for research agenda in conducting wildlife research in the country and ensure the institute fulfils its mandate of supervision and performance of wildlife research in the country.
2.	Prof. Jafari R. Kideghesho	Member	Phd. Conservation Biology	2	
3.	Dr. Maurus J. Msuha	Member	PhD. Biological Anthropology	2	
4	CC. Mabula M. Misungwi	Member	MSc. Natural Resource Assessment and management	2	

The Committee met twice during the year and discussed research agenda in conducting wildlife research in the country and ensure the institute fulfils its mandate of supervision and performance of wildlife research in the country. It approved Research application for financial year 2022/23.

b) Administration and Finance Committee

The list of Administration and Finance Committee members by the date of this report are shown below:

S/No	Name	Position	Qualification	No of meetings	Responsibilities
1.	DCC. Needpeace J. Wambuya	Member	MBA Finance and Banking	2	Responsible for all issues relating to the administration, human resources, finance and planning, budgeting and good governance
2.	Adv. Mercy E. Mrutu	Member	LLM in ICT Law	2	
3.	Dr. Eblate E. Ernest	Member	PhD. Population Genetics and Molecular Forensic	2	

The Committee met twice during the year under review. During the meetings employees and Finance matters and policies were discussed. It recommended for approval of confirmation, Re-categorization, promotion of employees, transfers and long-term training.

c) Audit Committee

The list of Audit Committee members by the date of this report are shown below

S/No	Name	Position	Qualification	No of meetings	Responsibilities
1.	Brig. Gen (rtd) Mary B. Hiki	Chairperson	Dipl. Accountancy, auditing and Strategic Studies	2	Responsible for additional assurance regarding integrity and effectiveness of the internal controls, risk management and corporate management, approve of the internal audit strategic audit plan, review of the internal and external audit plan, provide advice to the Director General on actions to be taken on matters raised in audit reports and coordinate audit programs conducted by internal auditor and programmes conducted by Controller and Auditor General.
2.	CC. William S. Mwakilema	Member	MSc. Tourism Development	1	
3.	Mr. Eliya Hekima	Member	CPA (T) Advance Diploma in Accountancy	2	

The Committee met twice during the financial year under review. During the meetings the quarterly internal audit reports were discussed which assessed internal controls, risk management, and good governance of the Institute. The committee adopted TAWIRI Audited Financial Statement for the financial year 2021/22.

MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE

Director General is responsible for day to day running of TAWIRI and advises the Board on the staffing needs and other resources required in undertaking TAWIRI's functions. According to the approved Organization Structure the following assists Director General:

- Director of Research Development and Coordination
- Director of Corporate Services; and
- Directors of five centre's namely Western Wildlife Research Centre, Southern Highlands Wildlife Research Centre, Kingupira Wildlife Research Centre, Serengeti Wildlife Research Centre and Njiro Wildlife Research Centre.

The institute has the following Units:

- Procurement Management Unit (PMU);
- Internal Audit Unit
- Legal Services Unit;
- Wildlife Information, Education and Public Relations Unit; and
- Information and Communication Technology and Statistics Unit.

2.5 PRINCIPLE ACTIVITIES OF TANZANIA WILDLIFE RESEARCH INSTITUTE (TAWIRI)

The principal activities of TAWIRI include conducting wildlife research, provision of data and information to guide the sound management of wildlife resources as well as coordinating and disseminating all research findings, data and information related to wildlife activities in Tanzania.

In executing its core functions, TAWIRI shall have due regard to: -

- a. The political, economic and social aspirations of the people of the United Republic of Tanzania;
- b. National and other policies being pursued by the Government;
- c. The carrying out of corporate operations in conformity with principles of good governance and compliance with all statutory requirements under the laws of the United Republic of Tanzania; and
- d. TAWIRI is not aligned to any political party in Tanzania.

2.6 SOLVENCY

The Board of Director has reviewed the current financial position of TAWIRI. On the basis of the review, the Directors are of the opinion that the Institute's financial standing with continued government, donors and stakeholders support, is sound enough to meet all maturing financial obligations.

2.7 EMPLOYEES WELFARE

TAWIRI has the following employees' welfare arrangements: -

Training

The Institute continued to provide training to its employees where necessary and if funds were available. Scholarships and self-sponsored opportunities were positively considered and permissions were granted for short and long-term training provided Institute's functions were not seriously affected.

Medical Facilities

Medical care continued to be provided to all staff members of the Institute. The Institute joined the National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF) in 2013 and workers started enjoying a wider spectrum of health services throughout the country.

Financial Support

Short-term loans, salary advances and other financial assistance were available to all employees depending on (i) assessment of the Management to the need and circumstances, (ii) availability of funds and (iii) ability to make repayment.

Relationship between Management and Employees

TAWIRI has a systematic procedure of communication with employees on a regular basis which is done through departments/sections meetings, management and staff meetings, as well as workers council meetings, circulars also social media networks.

Persons with Disabilities

It is the Institute's policy to give equal opportunities to persons with disabilities for vacancies they are able to fill. Employment with the organization is therefore non-discriminatory with one employee with disability

Gender Equality

It is the Institute's policy to give equal opportunities to persons of the female gender in both employment and training. Women are employed and sent for various training courses without discrimination. Out of current 127 employees, Female are 35 and Male 92.

2.8 CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Institute is committed to the highest standards of corporate governance. Its governance structure is flexible enough to adopt to changes in the internal and external environment and the Institute strives to regularly review its processes, rules and regulations and structure with a view to ensuring that its operations are carried out with due regard to economy, efficiency

and effectiveness. The Institute adheres to global standards and practices of good corporate governance.

2.9 ENVIRONMENT

The Institute has been taking measures to strengthen preparedness for protection of the environment and continues to observe environmental requirements in all projects undertaken to safeguarding both plants and animals.

2.10 HIV/AIDS POLICY

It is the policy of the Institute to equip all employees with the necessary skills in the fight against HIV/AIDS by organizing seminars on preventive measures and encouraging those suffering to seek medical advice and treatment.

2.11 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Details of related party transactions during the year ended 30 June 2023 are set out in Note 25 to the financial statements.

2.12 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

The planned operational activities and programs were fairly implemented during this financial year. The current grants, transfers and subsidies received during the year 2022/23 were TZS 1.55 billion which are higher by 22% compared to TZS 1.27 billion received in the financial year 2021/22. During the year 2022/23 the Institute recorded a surplus of TZS 44.17 million being 41% decrease compared to surplus of TZS 74.43 million realized in financial year 2021/22.

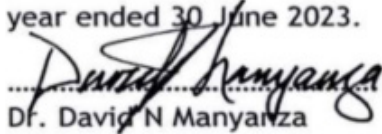
This was caused by decrease in revenues from exchange transactions and increase in wages, salaries and employees benefits due to staff promotion granted after directives issued by President of URT, new recruitment and transfers of staffs to implement the newly approved scheme of service.

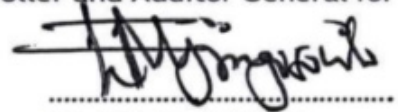
2.13 FINANCIAL POSITION REVIEW

The Net Asset of the Institute increased from TZS 19.91 billion (2021/22) to TZS 19.95 billion (2022/23). The increase in Net Asset was due to increase of accumulated surplus from TZS.

2.14 STATUTORY AUDITORS

The Controller and Auditor General (CAG) is the statutory auditor of the Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute by virtue of article 143 of the Constitution of the United Republic of Tanzania of 1977 and as amplified in section. 10 of the Public Audit Act, Cap 418. However, in accordance with section 33(1) of the Act, M/s Kepler Consultant was authorized to carry out the audit of the Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute on behalf of the Controller and Auditor General for the year ended 30 June 2023.


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Dr. David N Manyarza
Chairperson of the Board


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Dr. Eblate E Mjingo
Director General

31-Jan-2024
Date.....

3.0 STATEMENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY


These financial statements have been prepared by the Management of the Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI) in accordance with requirement of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS). The Board is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of effective internal control designed to give reasonable assurance that the transactions recorded in the accounts are within the statutory requirement and that they contain the receipts and use of resources by TAWIRI.

The Board of TAWIRI is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which at any time disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Institute and enabled them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the IPSAS. The Board is also responsible for safeguarding the assets and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud, error and other irregularities.

The Board confirms that suitable accounting policies have been used and applied consistently, and reasonable and prudent judgments and estimates have been made in the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2023. The Board also confirms that International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) Accrual basis have been complied with and that the financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis hence gives a true and fair view presentation of the Institute.

To the best of Board's knowledge, the internal control system has operated adequately throughout the reporting period and the accounting and underlying records provide a reasonable basis for the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2023. We accept responsibility for the integrity of the Financial Statements, the information they contain and their compliance with IPSAS Accrual basis.

By order of the Board


Chairperson of the Board


Director General

Date 31-Jan-2024


4.0 DECLARATION OF HEAD OF FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING UNIT

The National Board of Accountants and Auditors (NBAA) according to the power conferred under the Auditors and Accountants (Registration) Act No. 33 of 1972 and as amended by Act No 2 of 1995, require Financial Statements to be accompanied with a declaration issued by the Head of Finance and Accounting responsible for the preparation of Financial Statements of the entity concerned.

It is the duty of a Professional Accountant to assist the Board of Directors /Management to discharge the responsibility of preparing Financial Statements of an Entity showing true and fair view of the entity position and performance in accordance with applicable International Accounting Standards and statutory financial reporting requirements. Full legal responsibility for the preparation of Financial Statements rests with the Board of Directors as under Directors Responsibility statement on an earlier page.

I, CPA Daniel W. Wirlanga, being the Head of Finance and Accounting unit of the Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI), hereby acknowledge my responsibility of ensuring that Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2023 have been prepared in compliance with applicable accounting standards and statutory requirements.

I thus confirm that the Financial Statements give a true and fair view position of Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute as on that date and that they have been prepared based on properly maintained records.


Signed by: 
CPA DANIEL W. WIRLANGA
Position: CHIEF ACCOUNTANT
NBAA Membership No.: ACPA 2383
Date: 31 - January 2024

5.0 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

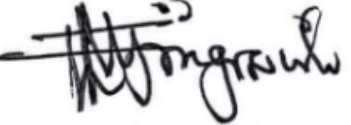
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2023

	Notes	30 June 2023 TZS	30 June 2022 TZS
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	1,426,191,544	1,578,169,227
Receivables	5	104,112,283	310,568,001
Prepayments	6	35,990,972	445,565,065
Total Current assets		1,566,294,799	2,334,302,293
Non-Current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	3	19,617,809,596	19,212,811,812
Total Non-Current assets		19,617,809,596	19,212,811,812
TOTAL ASSETS		21,184,104,395	21,547,114,105
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Payables	7	230,770,923	166,498,592
Deferred Revenue Government Grant	8	245,776,297	787,300,000
Deferred Revenue Development Partner Grant	9	752,999,565	682,927,191
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,229,546,785	1,636,725,783
NET ASSETS		19,954,557,610	19,910,388,322
NET ASSETS/EQUITY			
Capital Contributed by Taxpayers Fund		18,301,089,618	18,301,089,618
Accumulated Surplus		1,653,467,992	1,609,298,704
		19,954,557,610	19,910,388,322

The financial statements were authorised for use by the Board of Directors and signed on its behalf by


 Dr. David N Manyanza
 Chairperson of the Board

DATE...31.01.24


 Dr. Eblate E Mjingo
 Director General

DATE...31-Jan-2024

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	Notes	30 June 2023 TZS	30 June 2022 TZS
REVENUE			
REVENUE FROM NON EXCHANGE OF TRANSACTIONS:			
Subvention from Other Government Entities	8	6,409,343,485	5,745,370,421
Grants received from third parties	9	1,481,038,479	1,832,974,411
REVENUE FROM EXCHANGE OF TRANSACTIONS:			
Research Fees and Consultancy	10	1,054,672,867	1,402,794,923
Bee Product sales	11	144,345,000	174,837,504
Rental Income	12	222,073,340	197,864,700
Other revenue	13	-	58,012,800
Total Revenue		9,311,473,171	9,411,854,759
Expenses			
Wages, salaries and employee benefits	14	3,401,367,015	3,154,646,771
Supplies, Services and consumables used	15	5,342,524,221	5,658,860,565
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	3	523,340,647	522,005,469
Finance costs	19	72,000	1,910,586
Total Expenses		9,267,303,883	9,337,423,391
Surplus during the year		44,169,288	74,431,368

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 Dr. Eblate E Mjinga
 Director General

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	Taxpayers Fund	Accumulated Surplus	Total
	TZS	TZS	TZS
At 01 July 2022	18,301,089,618	1,609,298,704	19,910,388,322
Surplus during the year	-	44,169,288	44,169,288
At 30 June 2023	18,301,089,618	1,653,467,992	19,954,557,610
At 01 July 2021	18,301,089,618	1,276,247,868	19,577,337,486
Adjustments	-	258,619,468	258,619,468
Restated as at 01 July 2021	18,301,089,618	1,534,867,336	19,835,956,954
Surplus during the year	-	74,431,368	74,431,368
At 30 June 2022	18,301,089,618	1,609,298,704	19,910,388,322

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 Director General

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CASHFLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	Notes	30 June 2023 TZS	30 June 2022 TZS
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts			
Subvention from Other Government Entities	8	5,867,819,782	6,532,670,421
Grants received from third parties	9	1,551,110,853	1,269,147,707
Revenue from exchange transactions	16	1,640,023,175	1,638,753,325
Total Receipts		9,058,953,810	9,440,571,453
Payments			
Wages, salaries and employee benefits	17	3,395,246,901	3,223,965,836
Supplies and consumables used	18	4,887,274,161	6,048,627,794
Finance costs	19	72,000	1,910,586
Total Payments		8,282,593,062	9,274,504,216
Adjustments for			
Net cash flows from operating activities	26	776,360,748	166,067,237
Cash flows from investing activities			
Acquisition of property, plant, and equipment	3	(1,603,475,295)	(753,607,983)
Transfer of Work in Progress to Building	3	405,799,038	-
Cost of Building Demolished	3	312,793,700	-
Accumulated Depreciation of Building Demolished	3	(43,455,874)	-
Net cash from investing activities		(928,338,431)	(753,607,983)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		(151,977,683)	(587,540,746)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		1,578,169,227	2,165,709,973
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	4	1,426,191,544	1,578,169,227

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 Dr. Eblate E Mjingo
 Director General

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**STATEMENT OF COMPARISON OF BUDGET AND ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023
(Budget Prepared on Cash Basis)**

Descriptions	Original Budget {A}	Final Budget {B}	Actual on Comparable Basis {C}	Difference {C-B}	Percentage
	TZS	TZS	TZS	TZS	%
Receipts					
Current grants, transfers and subsidies received	9,461,039,624	6,490,308,664	5,867,819,782	(622,488,882)	(10)%
Revenue from exchange transactions	2,000,000,000	1,975,000,000	1,640,023,175	(334,976,826)	(17)%
Grants received	2,000,000,000	2,000,000,000	1,551,110,853	(448,889,147)	(22)%
Total Receipts	13,461,039,624	10,465,308,664	9,058,953,810	(1,406,354,855)	(13)%
Payments					
Wages, salaries and employee benefits	2,885,316,000	2,275,092,664	3,395,246,901	(1,120,154,237)	(49)%
Supplies, and consumables used	6,515,126,000	6,515,126,000	4,887,274,161	1,627,851,839	25%
Finance Cost	500,000	500,000	72,000	428,000	86%
Total Payments	9,400,942,000	8,790,718,664	8,282,593,062	508,125,602	6%
Net cash flow from/(used) in operating activities	4,060,097,624	1,674,590,000	776,360,748	898,229,252	54%
Cash flow from investing activities					
Acquisition of property and equipment	(3,508,921,300)	(3,508,921,300)	(1,603,475,295)	1,905,446,005	54%
Transfer of WIP to Building	-	405,799,038	405,799,038	-	-
Cost of Building Demolished	-	312,793,700	312,793,700	-	-
Acc. Depreciation of Building Demolished	-	(43,455,874)	(43,455,874)	-	-
Net cash flow from investing activities	(3,508,921,300)	(2,833,784,436)	(928,338,431)	1,905,446,005	(67)%
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	551,176,324	(1,159,194,436)	(151,977,683)	1,007,216,753	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,159,533,075	2,222,692,341	1,578,169,227	(644,523,114)	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	1,710,709,399	1,063,497,905	1,426,191,544	326,693,638	

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Explanation of material differences between Budget and Actual amounts for the year 2022/23 are in Note 31.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI) was established by Act No. 4 of 1980, as amended by Act No. 10 of 1999 revised 2021 enacted by the Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania. TAWIRI is a Public Corporation domiciled in Njiro, Arusha. The address of the registered office is P. O. Box 661, Arusha. Tanzania.

The overall managerial responsibility of TAWIRI is vested in a Board of Directors while the day to day operations are looked after by the Director General. TAWIRI is under the parental care of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism.

2.0 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied year after year.

2.1 Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. No adjustments have been made for inflationary factors affecting the financial statements. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs) Accrual basis requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Institute's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are separately disclosed in a note.

2.2 Compliance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards

The financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2023 and the comparative figures for the previous year have been prepared in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs) Accrual basis. TAWIRI adopted IPSASs in the financial year ended 30 June 2015 with transition date being 1 July 2014.

2.3 Foreign Currency Translations

Functional and Presentation Currency

Items included in the financial statements are measured in Tanzanian shilling, which is TAWIRI's functional and presentation currency.

Transactions and Balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into Tanzania Shilling, the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies

are recognized in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Translation differences on non-monetary items, such as equities classified as available for-sale financial assets, are included in the fair value reserve in equity.

2.4 Revenue Recognition

Revenue comprises of fair value of government subvention, amortization of capital grants, consultancy fees/testing fees, rental income and miscellaneous income, net of Value Added Tax (VAT), rebates and discounts. Sale of services including consultancy fees, rental income and sample testing fees are recognized in the accounting period in which the services are rendered, by reference to completion of the specific transaction assessed on the basis of the actual service provided as a proportion of the total services to be provided. Government subvention received to finance re-current expenditure, are credited to the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

2.5 Impairment of Assets

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortization and are tested annually for impairment. Assets that are subject to amortization are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognized for the amount by which the asset's fair value exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of assets fair value less costs to sell and value in use.

2.6 Capital Grants

Capital grants received in form of property, plant and equipment or funds whose primary condition is that TAWIRI should purchase, construct or otherwise acquire long term assets, are retained as assets by debiting respective asset account and crediting Capital Grants account.

2.7 Income Related Grants

Funds from the Government, donors and stakeholders for meeting costs and expenses are credited to deferred income on cash basis of accounting and recognized as income for the amount used to acquire asset.

2.8 Trade Receivables

Trade receivables are carried at original invoice amount less provision for doubtful receivables based on a review of all outstanding amounts at the year end. Bad debts are written off when identified.

2.9 Property, Plant and Equipment

2.9.1 Measurement

Property, plant, and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. The cost of self-constructed assets includes the cost

of materials, direct labour, the initial estimate, where relevant, they are located, and an appropriate proportion of overheads. Certain items of property, plant and equipment that had been revalued to fair value on or prior to 1 July 2015, the date of transition to IPSAS's, are measured on the basis of deemed cost, being the revalued amount as at the date of revaluation. Property that is being constructed or developed for future use as investment property is classified as property, plant and equipment and stated at cost until construction or development is complete, at which time it is reclassified as investment property. Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items of property, plant and equipment.

2.9.2 Subsequent Costs

Subsequent costs (major renovation costs) are included in the asset's carrying amount or are recognized as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Institute and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income during the financial year in which they are incurred.

2.9.3 Depreciation

Land is not depreciated. Depreciation on buildings, motor vehicles furniture and equipment is calculated using a straight-line method to reduce the cost of each asset to its residual value over its estimated useful life at a given rate per annum as shown below:

Description	Estimated Useful Life (Years)	Annual Depreciation Rate (%)
Buildings	50	2.00
Plant and Machinery	15	6.67
Marine vessel	25	4.00
Aircraft	20	5.00
Motor Vehicle	5	20.00
Furniture and Fixtures	10	10.00
Office Equipment	4	25.00
Laboratory Equipment	10	10.00

Depreciation of an asset begins when it is available for use; that is, when it is in the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by the Management. Depreciation of an asset ceases at the earlier of the date that the asset is classified as held for sale and the date that the asset is derecognized.

The asset's residual value and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date. In practice, the residual values of assets are insignificant and therefore, immaterial in calculation of the depreciable amount.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if it is greater than its estimated recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount. These are included in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

2.10 Tools and other minor assets

Expenditure on tools and other minor assets such as capital stores are written off during the year of acquisition. However, they are recorded in memoranda registers and controlled through annual stocktaking.

2.11 Research and Development Costs

Research expenditure is recognized as an expense as incurred. Costs incurred on development projects (relating to the design and testing of new or improved products/services) are recognized as intangible assets when it is probable that the project will be a success, considering its commercial and technological feasibility, and costs can be measured reliably. Other development expenditures are recognized as an expense as incurred. Development costs previously recognized as an expense are not recognized as an asset in a subsequent period. Development costs that have a finite useful life and that have been capitalized are amortized from the commencement of the commercial production of the product on a straight-line basis over the period of its expected benefit, not exceeding five years.

2.12 Employees Benefits

Retirement Benefit Obligation

Employees of TAWIRI are members of Public Sector Social Security Fund (PSSSF) and the employees' and employer's contributions to the funds based on monthly basic salaries are as follows:

Name of the Fund	Employee's contribution (%)	Employer's contribution (%)
Public Sector Social Security Fund (PSSSF)	5	15

The employer's contribution amount is charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income when due. During the year under audit nothing was charged because employer's contributions were remitted direct to the respective security funds by the Treasurer. TAWIRI has no legal or constructive obligations to pay further contributions if the Fund has no sufficient assets to pay all employees benefits relevant to employees' service in the current and prior periods.

Other Long Term Employees Benefits

Entitlements to annual leave are recognized when they accrue to employees. Provision is made for the estimated liability in respect of annual leave accrued on reporting date. Liability on long term employee's benefits, such as endowment scheme benefits, long service awards and gratuity, is provided in the financial statements based on past service cost on a straight-line basis over the average period until the benefit becomes payable.

Termination Benefits

Termination Benefits are payable when employment is terminated before the normal retirement date or whenever an employee accepts voluntary redundancy in exchange for these benefits. TAWIRI recognizes these termination benefits when it is demonstrably committed to either terminate the employment of current employees according to a detailed formal plan without possibility of withdrawal, or providing termination benefits as a result of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy. Benefits falling due more than 12 months after the reporting date are discounted to present value.

2.13 Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise of balances less than three months' maturity from the date of acquisition, including cash and non-restricted balances with banks, treasury bills and other eligible bills, and short-term Government securities.

2.14 Provisions

Provisions are recognized when TAWIRI has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events; it is more likely that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation; and the amount has been reliably estimated.

2.15 Trade and Other Payables

Liabilities for trade and other amounts payable are carried at cost which is fair value of the consideration to be paid in future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the Institute.

3.0 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Asset	Land	Buildings - Office	Equipment - Computers, servers and Photocopiers	Equipment - Scientific	Furniture and fittings - Office	Helicopters Plane and Aircraft	Motor vehicles, Vans and trucks	Plant and Machinery	Ships, Boat, Panton and Water craft	Work in Progress	TOTAL
	TZS	TZS	TZS	TZS	TZS	TZS	TZS	TZS	TZS	TZS	TZS
Cost											
As at 01 July 2021	11,752,000,000	6,575,452,571	361,520,913	90,545,000	233,320,491	115,000,000	1,997,560,380	121,467,627	12,000,000	-	21,258,866,982
Additions Monetary	-	189,413,163	92,115,955	-	66,279,827	-	-	-	-	405,799,038	753,607,983
As at 30 June 2022	11,752,000,000	6,764,865,734	453,636,868	90,545,000	299,600,318	115,000,000	1,997,560,380	121,467,627	12,000,000	405,799,038	22,012,474,965
Additions	-	528,989,079	78,823,919	72,793,120	36,502,256	585,462,921	300,904,000	-	-	-	1,603,475,295
Transfer to Building	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(405,799,038)	(405,799,038)
Disposal*	-	(312,793,700)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(312,793,700)
As at 30 June 2023	11,752,000,000	6,981,061,113	532,460,787	163,338,120	336,102,574	700,462,921	2,298,464,380	121,467,627	12,000,000	-	22,897,357,522
Depreciation and impairment:											
As at 01 July 2021	-	653,381,905	262,603,437	51,356,167	108,438,852	63,250,000	1,092,724,121	43,023,202	2,880,000	-	2,277,657,684
Depreciation charge for the year	-	135,297,167	59,803,732	17,852,500	25,163,898	5,750,000	269,556,888	8,101,284	480,000	-	522,005,469
As at 30 June 2022	-	788,679,072	322,407,169	69,208,667	133,602,750	69,000,000	1,362,281,009	51,124,486	3,360,000	-	2,799,663,153
Depreciation charge for the year	-	139,391,221	66,855,941	12,303,850	31,307,464	5,750,000	259,150,281	8,101,890	480,000	-	523,340,647
Disposal*	-	(43,455,874)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(43,455,874)
As at 30 June 2023	-	884,614,419	389,263,110	81,512,517	164,910,214	74,750,000	1,621,431,290	59,226,376	3,840,000	-	3,279,547,926
Net book value											
As at 30 June 2023	11,752,000,000	6,096,446,694	143,197,677	81,825,603	171,192,360	625,712,921	677,033,090	62,241,251	8,160,000	-	19,617,809,596
As at 30 June 2022	11,752,000,000	5,976,186,662	131,229,699	21,336,333	165,997,568	46,000,000	635,279,371	70,343,141	8,640,000	405,799,038	19,212,811,812

Disposal* - TAWIRI received letter of approval from Ministry of Finance and planning dated 24th June 2022 with reference number KA.54/233/01/78 for the demolition of three dilapidated buildings located at Plot no.213 Block 'A' Njiro Arusha which comprised of TAWIRI Administration building and two senior staff quarters with total costs of TZS 312,793,700 and accumulated depreciation of TZS 43,455,874 by the date demolition of the building was performed.

	30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	TZS	TZS
4 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT		
Cash with Government Bank		
BOT TZS Bank Account	39,710,702	56,473,750
BOT USD Bank Account	1,352,350,853	1,008,218,465
Cash with Non-Government Bank		
NBC TZS Bank Account-HQ	100,000	700,000
NMB TZS Bank Account - REGROW	-	141,058,333
NBC USD Bank Account - HQ	17,090,550	34,617
CRDB TZS Bank Account	140,000	-
CRDB USD Bank Account	9,189,919	-
NMB TZS Bank Account - Expenditure	7,609,520	371,684,062
TOTAL	1,426,191,544	1,578,169,227
5 RECEIVABLES		
Rent receivables (Wake Forest Project)	8,388,000	29,106,000
Rent receivables (Biocomplexity Project)	-	8,316,001
Rent receivables (NTNU Project)	-	16,632,000
Rent receivables (Carnivore Project)	-	12,474,000
Rent receivables (Cheetah Project)	-	8,316,000
Rent receivable (Biodiversity Project)	28,309,500	30,492,000
Rent receivable (Bamprass Project)	37,280,000	37,422,000
Rent receivable (Hyena Project)	-	13,513,500
Rent receivables (Prime Regional Supplies)	-	2,079,000
Rent receivables (Yale University)	10,199,750	33,957,000
Rent receivables (United State Aviation)	-	346,500
Rent receivables (Cocoon)	5,592,000	-
Imprest Receivables	14,343,033	117,914,000
TOTAL	104,112,283	310,568,001
6 PREPAYMENTS		
Prepaid Avigas (PUMA)	12,430,236	40,291,355
Prepaid Fuel (GPSA)	23,560,736	41,369,709
Prepaid Aircraft Lease (State Aviation)	-	63,000,000
Prepaid Motorvehivles (GPSA)	-	300,904,001
TOTAL	35,990,972	445,565,065
	The amount for the current year of TZS 35,990,972 represents advance payment for purchase of Avigas from PUMA Energy (T) Ltd for TZS 12,430,236 and purchase of fuel from Government Procurement Service Agency (GPSA) for TZS 23,560,736 and amount for the prior year of TZS 445,565,065 represents advance payment for purchase of Avigas from PUMA Energy (T) Ltd for TZS 40,291,55, purchase of fuel from Government Procurement Service Agency (GPSA) for TZS 41,369,709, Aircraft Lease from State Aviation for TZS 63,000,000 and purchase of Motor vehicles from Government Procurement Service Agency (GPSA) for TZS 300,904,001.	

	30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	TZS	TZS
7 PAYABLES		
Trade Payables	72,448,470	31,912,955
Audit fees payable	84,525,760	84,525,760
Payroll Payables	48,210,491	42,090,377
Withholding tax payables	5,140,452	-
House rent Advances	20,445,750	7,969,500
TOTAL	230,770,923	166,498,592
8 SUBVENTIONS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES		
At the beginning of the year	787,300,000	-
Other Charges (OC)	2,774,957,949	3,678,282,080
Salaries from Ministry (PE)	2,357,257,913	2,212,352,000
Stake holders Contributions	735,603,920	642,036,341
Subvention received during the year	5,867,819,782	6,532,670,421
Total	6,655,119,782	6,532,670,421
Less: Transfer to Capital Grant	-	-
Amount utilized during the year	6,409,343,485	5,745,370,421
Balance at year end	245,776,297	787,300,000
9 GRANTS, TRANSFERS AND SUBSIDIES RECEIVED FROM PRIVATE ENTITIES		
At the beginning of the year	682,927,191	1,246,753,895
Donor Funded Projects	1,551,110,853	1,269,147,707
Grants, transfers and subsidies received	1,551,110,853	1,269,147,707
Total	2,234,038,044	2,515,901,602
Amount utilized during the year	(1,481,038,479)	(1,832,974,411)
Deferred Revenue Income	752,999,565	682,927,191
<p>The amounts of grants received during the year was purposely for the implementation of various wildlife research project activities and not otherwise for the period within one year to five years. The amount for the current year of TZS 1,551,110,853 comprised of TZS 372,266,605 represents capital expenditures and TZS 1,178,844,249 as revenues expenditures and amount for the prior year of TZS 1,269,147 comprised of TZS 753,607,983 represents capital expenditures and TZS 515,539,724 as revenues expenditures.</p>		

	30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	TZS	TZS
10 RESEARCH FEES AND CONSULTANCY		
Consultancy fees	196,790,886	351,870,431
Research fees	857,881,981	570,798,409
Scientific Conference fees	-	480,126,083
TOTAL	1,054,672,867	1,402,794,923
11 BEE PRODUCT SALES		
Bee Product income	144,345,000	174,837,504
TOTAL	144,345,000	174,837,504
12 RENTAL INCOME		
Rest house	7,293,590	11,659,200
Workshop rent	4,800,000	3,600,000
House rent	182,019,750	161,815,500
Fuel Station rent	27,960,000	20,790,000
TOTAL	222,073,340	197,864,700
13 OTHER INCOME		
Miscellaneous Income	-	58,012,800
TOTAL	-	58,012,800
14 WAGES, SALARIES AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		
Salaries and Wages	2,400,154,414	2,235,137,000
Medical and Staff Welfare	979,955,601	889,620,268
Transfer/Recruitment Expenses	21,257,000	29,889,503
TOTAL	3,401,367,015	3,154,646,771
15 SUPPLIES, SERVICES AND CONSUMABLE USED		
Office Consumables (papers, pencils, pens and stationaries)	138,960,459	49,852,967
Computer Supplies and Accessories	2,624,500	16,852,360
Printing and Photocopy paper	5,570,000	30,554,402
Food and Refreshment	19,325,840	4,000,000
Statutory Contributions	-	121,500
Outsourcing Costs (includes cleaning and security services)	130,518,000	100,728,850
Cleaning Supplies	1,448,396	1,230,000
Electricity	23,000,000	22,080,000
Water Charges	4,729,944	5,903,992
Diesel	470,580,805	397,012,720
Jet A-1/Aviation kerosene	41,369,709	2,554,074
Aviation gas/spirit	80,581,183	90,154,515

Drugs and Medicines	-	46,242,000
Consumable Medical Supplies	1,760,000	1,045,000
Special Foods (diet food)	1,200,000	-
Uniforms and Ceremonial Dresses	11,738,000	27,359,844
Protective Clothing, footwear and gears	1,400,000	-
Conference Facilities	1,678,552	81,789,835
Accommodation	2,400,000	983,544
Tuition Fees	-	17,931,500
Remuneration of Instructors	19,377,826	-
Research and Dissertation	132,076,698	132,958,602
Upkeep Allowances	-	87,474,820
Air Travel Tickets	60,122,300	43,773,507
Per Diem - Domestic	2,175,079,589	2,462,215,353
Per Diem - Foreign	-	4,120,000
Census	190,101,550	56,721,500
Internet and Email connections	92,087,020	62,942,632
Posts and Telegraphs	1,002,750	356,000
Courier Services	-	110,000
Wire, Wireless, Telephone, Telex Services and Facsimile	600,000	-
Telephone Charges (Land Lines)	-	4,155,000
Subscription Fees	34,888,416	5,067,750
News Services Fees	300,000	-
Technical Service Fees	18,869,630	56,382,851
Technical Materials	-	97,672,951
Special Needs material and supplies	208,836,605	195,670,916
Laboratory small non-durable equipment	36,150,380	12,552,250
Food and Refreshments	135,926,438	172,457,906
Entertainment	12,017,000	37,800,388
Gifts and Prizes	19,640,000	10,571,740
Veterinary Drugs and Medicine	30,008,100	35,826,750
Advertising and publication	14,038,710	12,719,041
Outsource Maintenance Contract Services	155,643,061	124,678,270
Motor Vehicles and Water Craft	147,099,348	135,422,756
Tyres and Batteries	19,378,272	49,314,907
Spare Parts	-	36,969,126
Mechanical, electrical, and electronic spare parts	-	194,000
Computers, printers, scanners, and other computer related equipment	629,900	23,697,368
Air conditioners	-	3,385,348
Survey Aircraft	220,102,920	464,935,064
Audit Fees	84,525,760	84,525,760
Legal Fees	3,166,010	726,760
Consultancy Fees	19,445,125	204,468,082
Audit Supervision Expenses	15,000,000	15,250,000
Registration Fees	950,000	6,488,550
Honorariums (expert opinion)	2,720,000	21,750,000
Sundry Expenses	2,929,028	2,510,000
Insurance Expenses	53,377,561	19,236,514
Burial Expenses	900,000	5,361,000
Building Demolition Costs	20,000,000	-
Loss on Disposal of Building Demolished	269,337,826	-

	Land Rent Expenses	16,414,600	-
	Training Aids	7,200,000	-
	Schools Laboratory Supplies	14,682,600	-
	Navigation Equipment (flight calibrations, signalling and beacons)	30,113,810	-
	Director's Fee	53,900,000	-
	Contribution to CF (15%)	85,000,000	72,000,000
	TOTAL	5,342,524,221	5,658,860,565
16	REVENUE FROM EXCHANGE OF TRANSACTION ON CASHFLOW		
	Income Receivables at beginning of year	310,568,001	134,394,569
	House Rent Advances at beginning of year	(7,969,500)	(26,552,670)
	Revenue from Exchange Transactions	1,421,091,207	1,833,509,927
		1,723,689,708	1,941,351,826
	Income Receivables at end of year	(104,112,283)	(310,568,001)
	House Rent Advances at end of year	20,445,750	7,969,500
	TOTAL	1,640,023,175	1,638,753,325
17	WAGES, SALARIES AND EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PAID		
	Payable Expense b/d	42,090,377	111,409,442
	Net	42,090,377	111,409,442
	Wages, salaries and employee benefits	3,401,367,015	3,154,646,771
		3,443,457,392	3,266,056,213
	Payable Expense c/d	(48,210,491)	(42,090,377)
	TOTAL	3,395,246,901	3,223,965,836
18	PAYMENT FOR SUPPLIES AND CONSUMABLES		
	Payable Expense b/d 20	116,438,715	88,472,930
	Prepayment b/d	(445,565,065)	(27,832,051)
	Supplies, Services and Consumable used	5,342,524,221	5,658,860,565
		5,013,397,871	5,719,501,444
	Payable Expense c/d 21	(162,114,682)	(116,438,715)
	Prepayments c/d	35,990,972	445,565,065
	TOTAL	4,887,274,161	6,048,627,794
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19	FINANCE COSTS		
	Bank Charge	72,000	1,910,586
	TOTAL	72,000	1,910,586

		30 June 2023	30 June 2022
		TZS	TZS
20	PAYABLE EXPENSES BROUGHT DOWN -Payment for Supplies and Consumables		
	Trade Payables	31,912,955	28,472,930
	Audit Fees Payables	84,525,760	60,000,000
	TOTAL	116,438,715	88,472,930
21	PAYABLE EXPENSES CARRIED FORWARD -Payment for Supplies and Consumables		

Trade Payables	72,448,470	31,912,955
Withholding Tax Payables	5,140,452	-
Audit Fees Payables	84,525,760	84,525,760
TOTAL	162,114,682	116,438,715

22 EMPLOYEES BENEFITS

The Institute's employees are members of the Public Sector Social Security Fund (PSSSF) and National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF). The Institute and employees both contribute to the scheme on a monthly basis.

During the year ended 30 June 2023 employer's contributions were remitted directly by the Treasury to the respective scheme.

23 ULTIMATE OWNER OF THE INSTITUTE

The Government of the United Republic of Tanzania is the owner of the Institute.

24 TAXATION

The Institute is exempted from corporation tax as per Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act, 2004.

25 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year under review, TAWIRI incurred related party expenses amounting to TZS 1,150,225,870 as follows

	30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	TZS	TZS
Key Management Personnel		
Salaries	706,548,000	489,600,000
Allowances	180,111,070	163,934,160
Social security contribution	156,691,800	141,309,600
Sub Total	1,043,350,870	794,843,760
Remuneration of Board of Directors		
Board fees	59,300,000	-
Board Allowances	47,575,000	-
Sub Total	106,875,000	-
Total	1,150,225,870	794,843,760

Payments to member of board of directors and key management personnel are paid in accordance with the Government Standing Orders and the approved human resources management policy and incentive scheme of the Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI).

26 CASHFLOW RECONCILIATION**Reconciliation of Net Cashflow from operating activities to Surplus / (Deficit)**

	Note	30 June 2023 TZS	30 June 2022 TZS
Surplus/(deficit) from ordinary activities		44,169,288	74,431,368
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation	3	523,340,647	522,005,469
Changes in working capital			
Increase/Decrease in receivables from exchange transactions	5	206,455,718	(176,173,432)
Increase/Decrease in prepayment	6	409,574,093	(417,733,014)
Increase/Decrease in payables from exchange transactions	7	64,272,331	(59,936,450)
Increase/Decrease in payables from non-exchange transactions	27	(471,451,329)	223,473,296
Net cash flows from operating activities		776,360,748	166,067,237

27 INCREASE/DECREASE IN PAYABLE FROM NON-EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS

Deferred Revenue Government Grant	8	245,776,297	787,300,000
Deferred Revenue Development Partner Grant	9	752,999,565	682,927,191
TOTAL		998,775,862	1,470,227,191

28 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

There were no capital commitments as at 30 June 2023. Also, management are not aware of any material contingencies as at 30 June 2023.

29 PRIOR YEAR'S ADJUSTMENTS

There were no accounting errors in the previous year's financial statements affecting different accounts ledgers in the current reporting period. Also, the financial statements of 2021/22 have not been restated.

30 COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Previous year's figures have been regrouped wherever considered necessary in order to make them comparable with current year's figures.

31. EXPLANATIONS OF MATERIAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN BUDGET AND ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 2021/22**Receipts:**

- Current grant, transfers and subsidies received was lower by 10% due to subvention for other charges was not fully disbursed by the government to the institute during the financial year 2022/23.
- Revenue from exchange transaction was lower by 17% due to decrease in research and consultancy fees caused by less research projects which was admitted consequently no fund was secured by TAWRI for implementation of various research

activities and less consultancy assignment was performed during the financial year 2022/23. Also, decrease in sales of honey and beeswax caused by stiff competition on bee products especially bee hives and honey.

- Grants received was lower by 22% due to the fact some of the Donor funded projects were not secured due to high competition in the proposal writing, selection and award of the grants for the implementation of various research project activities

Payments:

- Wages, salaries and employee benefits were higher by 49% due to staff promotion granted after directives issued by President of URT, new recruitment and transfers of staffs to implement the newly approved scheme of service.
- Supplies and consumables used were lower by 25% due to decrease of government subvention and grants from donor funds a result field work activities was not implemented as expected by researchers.
- Finance costs were lower by 86% arising from low charges as the most funds are transacted with BOT no transactions cost charged.
- Acquisition of Property and Equipment were lower by 54% due to pending construction of TAWIRI head quarter building at Njiro.

Cash at the end of period increased by TZS 326 million due to the fact that TAWIRI did not manage to implement fully various research project activities from donor fund since research is a long-term project. These activities will be implemented in the next financial period as the research is a continuous exercise.

ANNEX I

COORDINATED AND SUPERVISED WILDLIFE RESEARCH PROJECT 2022/2023

	PROJECT TITLE	RESEARCH SCIENTISTS	NATIONALITY	INSTITUTE OF AFFILIATION	RESEARCH LOCATION
	RESEARCH PRIORITY THEME: HUMAN WILDLIFE INTERACTIONS (HWI)				
	A): ON GOING RESEARCH PROJECTS				
1.	Lion demography, human-carnivore conflicts and conservation education at Mkomazi National Park, Enduimet and its adjacent villages, Tanzania	Deo Tarimo and Nancy Felix	Tanzania	Hungarian University of Agriculture and life Sciences (MATE)	National Park: Mkomazi. Wildlife Management Area: Enduimet. Open areas: Villages in Same, Mwanga, Korogwe, Lushoto and Mkinga Districts.
2	Social, Ecological and Environmental Drivers of Human Elephant Conflicts in Tanzania.	Julius Keyyu, Eblate Ernest Mjingo, Emmanuel Masenga, Jerome Kimaro, Asanterabi Lowasa, Angela Mwakatobe, Pius Kavana, Steven Nindi, Deusdeddit Bwenge, Cecilia Leweri and Richard Lyamuya	Tanzania	TAWIRI	Protected areas: All National Parks in Tanzania (except Gombe and Saanane), All Game reserves, All Wildlife Management, Ngorongoro Conservation Area (NCA). Open Areas: Arusha, Shinyanga, Kilimanjaro, Manyara, Tanga, Mara, Kagera, Simiyu, Geita, Kigoma, Morogoro, Iringa, Mbeya, Pwani, Lindi, Mtwara, Katavi, and Shinyanga Regions.

	PROJECT TITLE	RESEARCH SCIENTISTS	NATIONALITY	INSTITUTE OF AFFILIATION	RESEARCH LOCATION
3	The Ecology of the Elephants of the Tarangire Ecosystem	Revocatus Menev, Habibu Munna, Joseph Nkwabi and Boniface Osujaki	Tanzania	TAWIRI	National Park(s): Tarangire and Lake Manyara. Game Reserve(s): Mkungunero. Forest Reserve(s): Lesimingori. Wildlife Management Area(s): JUHIBU, Randilen and Makame-Ndedo. Game Controlled Area(s): Lolkisale. Open areas (District, Ward, and Village): Simanjiro, Kiteto, Babati, and Monduli Districts.
4	The influence of anthropogenic activities on cheetah hunting success and habitat use on the boundaries of the Serengeti National Park	Dennis Minja	Tanzania	University of Glasgow and the Institute of Zoology, London	National Park(s): Serengeti. Game Reserve(s): Maswa. Wildlife Management Area(s): Makao. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.

	PROJECT TITLE	RESEARCH SCIENTISTS	NATIONALITY	INSTITUTE OF AFFILIATION	RESEARCH LOCATION
5	Improving capacity for managing human-wildlife conflict in the western Serengeti: Using technology to understand animal movements and illegal activity	Kristen Snyder, Noel Mbise and Ernest Mjingo	United States of America. Tanzania	Colorado State University, TAWIRI Grumeti Fund	National Park(s): Serengeti Game Reserve(s): Ikorongo, Grumeti, and Maswa. Wildlife Management Area(s): Ikona. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Sasakwa concession, Makundusi grazing land, Issenye open
6.	Balancing Pastoralist Livelihoods and Wildlife Management in Ngorongoro.	Ingela Jansson, Camilla Sandström Adam Pektor Ernest Eblate, Emmanuel Lufilisha Charles, Roimen Lelya Olekisai, George P. Shango	Sweden United States of America Tanzania	Swedish University of Agriculture (SLU) TAWIRI	Ngorongoro Conservation Area (NCA)
7.	Evaluating the efficacy, impacts, and perceptions of electric fencing as a human-wildlife conflict management tool in the western Serengeti	Kristen Snyder, Noel Mbise, Michael Kimaro Victor Kakengi,	United States of America Grumet Funds TAWIRI		National Park: Serengeti. Game Reserves: Ikorongo and Grumeti. Wildlife Management Area: Ikona

	PROJECT TITLE	RESEARCH SCIENTISTS	NATIONALITY	INSTITUTE OF AFFILIATION	RESEARCH LOCATION
8	Assessment of drivers of bushmeat consumption and trade in western Serengeti	Angela Mwakatobe, Emmanuel Masenga, Asanterabi Lowassa, Godwell Meng'ataki, Masegeri Rurai, Abbukari Munna, Andimile Martin, Nelson ole Kwai and Robert Mosobeji	Tanzania	TAWIRI	Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Tarime, Serengeti and Bunda Districts in Mara Region, Bariadi, Itailima, and Meatu Districts in Simiyu Region.
9	Informing large carnivore conservation through research into ecology and conflict in two key landscapes in southern Tanzania	Charlotte Searle Ana Grau	United Kingdom Spain	Max Planck Institute of Evolutionary Anthropology,	National Park(s): Nyerere and Ruaha. Game Reserve(s): Selous. Forest Reserve(s): Magombera
10	Predicting and mitigating human elephant conflict in the Ruaha Ecosystem	Sarah Maisonneuve	USA	Mountains and Plains Institute	National Park(s): Ruaha. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Iringa, Mbarali and Chamwino Districts.
11	B) NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS Trialling the efficacy of solar-powered strobe lights, beehives and Metal Strips fencing elephant deterrents in Kilombero Valley, Tanzania	Grace Joseph Mchome	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Forest Reserve(s): Magombera Nature Reserve. Open areas: Kilombero District, Kanyenja and Katurukila Village.

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12	To assess the impacts of COVID 19 pandemic on tourism-dependent communities in Monduli District	Cesilia Nkwabi	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	National Park: Lake Manyara. Open area: Mto wa Mbu Ward.
13	Variation in honeyguide-human cooperation across human cultural landscapes in Tanzania	Eliupendo Laltaika and Tumaini Oleletoyo Claire Spottiswoode and Jessica van der Wal	Tanzania South Africa	University of Cape Town	National Parks: Ruaha, Nyerere, Serengeti and Katavi. Game Reserves: Rungwa, Loliondo, Maswa, inyonga, and Rukwa Luafi. Forest Reserves: Mlele. Wildlife Management Areas: Simanjiro, Loliondo and Lake Natron. Game Controlled Area: Simanjiro. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Lake Eyasi, Tinaga, Simanjiro, Mlele, Katavi, Ngorongoro and Maswa. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
14	Updating Poaching Density Maps to Improve Wildlife Conservation in the Serengeti Ecosystem	Alfan Rija	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	National Park: Serengeti. Game Reserve: Ikorongo and Maswa. Wildlife Management Area: Ikona.
15	Assessment of the contribution of trophy	Salum Ramadhani	Tanzania	Sokoine	Burunge, Randilen, Enduimet

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	hunting and photographic tourism to wildlife conservation and livelihoods in community-based wildlife management areas, Northern Tanzania	Kulunge		University of Agriculture	and Makame Wildlife Management Areas.
16	Implications of COVID-19 pandemic and tourism development on Biodiversity Conservation	Beatrice Kessy, Franco Mbise and Grace Kabitina	Tanzania	Tanzania National Parks (TANAPA).	National Parks: Serengeti, Tarangire, Lake Manyara, Arusha and Kilimanjaro. Others: Ngorongoro Conservation Areas.
17	Factors influencing travel motivation, revisit intention and satisfaction of tourists: A Comparative analysis of domestic and foreign tourists visit in Ngorongoro Conservation Area and Kilimanjaro National Park	Augustine Arukwe, Eivin Røskraft, Peter Sjolte Ranke Stephen Kirama, Erick Valentin, Martine Kimaro, Cecilia Mjingo, Angela Samweli and Neema Molell	Norway Tanzania	University of Dar es Salaam	National Park: Kilimanjaro. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Open Areas: Ngorongoro District; Moshi District Council.
18	Land use/cover changes and their implications on human-wildlife conflicts in Manyara Ngorongoro wildlife corridor	Anselm Peter Silayo and Hussein Sosovele	Tanzania	University of Dar es Salaam	National Park: Lake Manyara. Conservation area: Ngorongoro. Forest Reserve: Marang Forest Wildlife Management Area: Burunge. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Eslalei/ Losirua, Selela, Upper Kitete and Lositete villages in Monduli and Karatu Districts.

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19	Can performance payments deliver good carnivore conservation and conservation for good? A case study in Ruaha, Tanzania	Joseph Hamm: Mathew Bukhi Mabele	United Kingdom Tanzania	University of Leeds, UK University of Dodoma	Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Idodi Ward, Iringa Rural District.
20	The effectiveness of the measures applied by conservation agencies to regulate illegal bush meat trade in Kilombero Game Controlled Area, Tanzania	Zakaria Musoma	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Kilombero Game Controlled Area
21	Effects of electric fencing on wildlife habitat utilisation and human-wildlife conflict in the western Serengeti	Walter Di Nicola	Italy	University of Groningen, Netherlands.	National Park(s): Serengeti. Game Reserve(s): Ikorongo. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Villages bordering Ikorongo Game Reserve and Serengeti National Park in Serengeti District.
22	Self-reporting wire snaring by illegal hunters in Serengeti Ecosystem	James Vedastor Wakibara, Hamadi Dulle and Gabriel Mayengo	Tanzania	College of African Wildlife Management-Mweka (CAWM).	Serengeti National Park
23	Human elephant Coexistence in the Selous Niassa Nyerere Wildlife Corridor.	Philipo Jacob Mtwewe, Felician Ezekiel, Peter Mkilindi and Eva Johnson	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	National Park(s): Nyerere. Game Reserve(s): Selous. Wildlife Management Area(s): Mbarang'andu.
24	Patterns of large carnivore depredation on	Deogratias Gervas	Tanzania	Hungarian	Forest Reserve: Nyerere-

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	livestock and community tolerance behavior around Selous-Nyerere ecosystem; a case study of Liwale District in Southern Tanzania.	Katwana		University of Agriculture and Life Sciences (Mate)	Kipelele and Angai. Wildlife Management Area(s): Magingo. Open Areas: Liwale.
25	Influence of mobile communication exchange on human-lion conflicts in Northern Tanzania	Irene Samwel Urassa	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Wildlife Management Area(s): Randilen, Burunge, and Enduiment. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Monduli District. Other: Manyara-Ranch.
26	Time Travelling to East Africa. Tourism in Kenya and Tanzania (1970- 2000)	Mathias Hack and. Dirk van Laak	German	German Academic Scholarship Foundation	Dar es Salaam
27	Factors influencing domestic tourists' visitation in national parks	Paschal Kepha Shitobelo	Tanzania	Saint Augustine University of Tanzania.	National Park: Serengeti. Others: Mwanza city.
28	Evaluating human-wildlife conflict management Schemes and their efficacy in promoting coexistence in Tanzania	Justine Lukumay Robert	Tanzania	Nelson Mandela African Institution of Science and Technology	National Parks: Tarangire and Ruaha. Game Reserve(s): Mkungunero. Wildlife Management Area(s): Randilen. Open Areas: Simanjiro District, Emboreet, Loiborsiret and Terrat Wards. Others: Ngorongoro Conservation Area (NCA).

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29	An assessment of population status, distribution and threats to large mammal species in and outside Mkomazi National Park, Tanzania'.	Janipha Mboya Dominick Amos Muthiuru	Tanzania Kenya	African Wildlife Foundation	National Park(s): Mkomazi. Open area(s): Rombo, Mwanga, Same, Korogwe, Lushoto and Mkinga Districts.
30	Sustainable integrated management systems for large mammal conservation and community development: Identifying existing efforts and gaps for human-elephant coexistence in areas adjacent protected areas in northern Tanzania	Saeko Terada Janemary Chediel Ntalwila, Mirisha, Emmanuel Masenga, Revocatus Meney and Max Jenes	Japan Tanzania	Tamagawa University, Tokyo	Open areas (District): Karatu, Ngorongoro, Monduli, Shimanjiro, Kiteto, Mwanga and Same
31	Saving human and nonhuman nature: the impact of 'fortress conservation' on human-lion coexistence through the eyes of (local) stakeholders in the Tarangire-Manyara Ecosystem	Loes Baukje Francisca Huibers	Netherlands	Wageningen University	National Park(s): Tarangire and Lake Manyara. Game Reserve(s): Mkungunero. Forest Reserve(s): Salange and Isabe. Wildlife Management Area(s): Burunge, Randileni and Makam.e Game Controlled Area(s): Mto wa Mbu, Lolkisale and Simanjiro Open area(s) (District, Ward, Village): Monduli, Babati, Simanjiro and Kondo.

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32	Wildfire risk on social-ecological resilience due to human-environment interactions in Tanzania: a case of Kilimanjaro and Serengeti National Parks	Makunga John	Tanzania	Ardhi University, School of Engineering and Environmental Studies (SEES)	Other: Manyara Ranch. National Park(s): Kilimanjaro and Serengeti National Parks. Open Area(s): Rombo, Bunda, Serengeti, Bunda and Busega Districts.
33	The impacts of illegal anthropogenic ivory poaching and legal professional hunting on the African savanna elephant (<i>Loxodonta africana</i>) populations in the Ruaha-Rungwa and Selous-Nyerere-Mikumi ecosystems of Southern Tanzania (East Africa).	Bruce Roussos Nicolas Hans	Tanzania	Bangor University (Wales, United Kingdom)	National Parks: Ruaha, Nyerere and Mikumi. Game Reserves: Rungwa, Kizigo, Muhesi and Selous.
34	Tourists hunting benefits in Longido District, Tanzania	Damiano Doday Fabiano	Tanzania	Mweka College	Longido Game Controlled Area
35	Towards sustainable human-wildlife coexistence in Northern Tanzania (WildCo Tanzania)	Michiel Paul Veldhuis: Emily Frances Strange: Yustina Kiwango.	Netherlands. United Kingdom. Tanzania	Leiden University, Netherlands TANAPA	National Park(s): Serengeti. Game Reserve(s): Maswa, Ikorongo, Poleleti and Grumeti. Forest Reserve(s): Loliondo. Wildlife Management Area(s): Ikona. Open areas (District, Ward, Village) Villages from Bunda and Serengeti Districts which are adjacent Ikona WMA, Grumeti Game Reserve and

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36	Livelihoods, environmental change and migration in Tanzania	Jonathan Salerno David	USA	Colorado State University	Ikorongo Game Reserve. Villages (NCA and Lioliondo): Olbalal, Malambo, Arash, Maalon, Oloipiri, Soitsambu, and Ololosokwan Ruaha National Park. Open areas: Iringa, Katavi and Lindi Regions.
37	Ways indigenous knowledge could be utilized in facilitating community-based management in wildlife management areas	Abubakar Rajabu Salum	Tanzania	Arms Environment Limited based in Dar es Salaam	Wildlife Management Area(s): Makao. Open areas: Districts & Regions in the Serengeti Ecosystem.
38	Citizen Science for Collaborative Community Research: Indigenous Community Assessment of Problematic Plants (ICAPP)	Connor McCarty Lazaro Mangewa, Isaya Rumas	United States of America Tanzania	Colorado State University Sokoine University of Agriculture	Open areas (District, Ward, Village) District: Simanjiro; Ward: Terrat & Emboreet; Villages: Sukuro, Kitiengare, Loiborsoit.
RESEARCH PRIORITY THEME: BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION (BC)					

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	A) ON GOING RESEARCH PROJECTS				
39	Conservation of the Eastern Arc Mountain endemic herpetofauna: Resolving cryptic species, uncovering ecological limits and long-term monitoring	John Valentine Lyakurwa, Simon Loader, Dr. Wilirk Ngalason, Plus Mollie Mwamgeni, Ardgard Essau, and Yusuph Wilangali	Tanzania	Department of Zoology and Wildlife Conservation, University of Dar es Salaam.	National Park: Udzungwa Mountains. Forest Reserve(s): Eastern Arc Mountains; Nguru (Mkingu and Kanga), Uluguru (Uluguru Nature Reserve), Ukaguru (Mamiwa Kisara North and
		Simon Loader	United Kingdom	Department of Life Sciences, Natural History Museum, London, UK.	South Forest Reserve), Rubeho (Ukwiva and Mafwomero) and Udzungwa Mountain blocks (Udzungwa Scarp Nature Reserve).
40	Vegetation mapping and biodiversity assessment of forests of Tanzania	Andreas Julius Hemp and Claudia Susanne Margarete Hemp	German	University of Bayreuth	National Park(s): Kilimanjaro, Arusha NP, Mkomazi, Udzungwa, Tarangire, Manyara, and Saadani. Forest Areas: Eastern Arc Mountains, coastal forests, central Tanzania (Chenene, Wotta
40	Tanzanian Invertebrates, a virtual national reference collection (TINC)	Pauly Alain Robert, Nicolas J. Vereecken	Belgium	Associate Researcher, TAWIRI	National Park(s): Arusha, Kilimanjaro, Serengeti, Lake Manyara, Tarangire, Mkomazi, Saadani, Mikumi,

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		Neema Kilimba	Tanzania	TAWIRI	Udzungwa, Ruaha, Kitulo, Katavi, Mahale Mountains, Gombe stream and Rubondo Island. Game Reserves: Selous and Uwanda. Forest Reserves: Amani, Chome, Kilombero, Kipo, Magamba, Minziro, Mkingu, Mount Hanang, Mount Rungwe, Nilo, Rondo, Uluguru and Uzungwa Scarp. Others: Ngorongoro Conservation Area and Mafia Island.
41	Application of modern technology to wildlife survey techniques	Howard L. Frederick	Australia	TAWIRI	National Parks – All Game Reserves – All. Game Controlled Areas: All. Other Areas: All. Wildlife Management Areas: All. Open Areas (District, Ward, Villages): Any areas adjacent to CIMS survey zones / protected areas.

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42	Serengeti Biodiversity Programme	Grant C Hopcraft Thomas Morrison ARE Sinclair Dan Haydon Colin Torney Gareth Hempson Simon Mduma; Juan Morales	Canada United Kingdom. South Africa. Tanzania Argentina.	University of Glasgow	National Park(s): Serengeti. Game Reserve(s): Grumeti, Ikorongo, and Maswa. Wildlife Management Area: Ikona, Loliondo and Makao. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
43	Changes from consumptive to non-consumptive use of wildlife in Msolwa area: Effects on wildlife population and tourism development in Nyerere National Park, Tanzania	Emmanuel Masenga, Mjingo Ernest Emilian Kihwele, Abel Mtui	Tanzania	TAWIRI TANAPA	Nyerere National Park
44	Eastern Arc Biodiversity Programme: Discovering, Documenting and Explaining the 'Smaller Majority' of the Udzungwa Mountains	Nikolaj Scharff	Denmark	Natural History Museum of Denmark, University of Copenhagen	National Park(s): Udzungwa Mountains. Forest Reserve(s): Uzungwa Scarp Nature Reserve.
45	Biodiversity Monitoring of major River Ecosystems using Environmental DNA (eDNA) in Tanzanian Protected Areas	Eblate Ernest Mjingo and Emmanuel Hosiana Masenga Benjamin Barca; Italy. Kat Bruce Brandon Kemp	Tanzania Italy United Kingdom South Africa	TAWIRI	Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Morogoro, Pwani, Mara, Katavi and Tabora Regions.

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46	Biodiversity surveys for sustainable conservation of Usungu area in Ruaha-Rungwa Ecosystem, Tanzania	Emmanuel Masenga, Ernest Eblate and Halima Kiwango	Tanzania	TAWIRI	Ruaha National Park
47	"Long-term Biodiversity Monitoring in the Udzungwa Mountains".	Francesco Rovero	Italy	University of Florence, Italy	National Park(s): Udzungwa Mountains. Forest Reserve(s): Uzungwa Scarp Nature Forest Reserve.
		Arafat Seif Mtui, Steven Pius Shinyambala, Emilian Didus Njau and Ruben Langson Mwakisoma	Tanzania		
B) NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS					
48	Biodiversity data collection and training conservationists in East and West Usambaras, Tanzania	Charles Meshack, Victor Mkongewa, Devolent Mtui, Henry Ndangalasi, Raymond Lembuseli, Pepya Nyabuma and Devolent Mtui	Tanzania	Tanzania Forest Conservation Group in Dar es Salaam collaborating with TAWIRI	Forest Reserve(s): East and West Usambara Forests (Tanga Region).
49	Short and Long-Term Comparison of Biodiversity Monitoring in the Mwanihana Forest of the Udzungwa Mountains National Park and the Uzungwa Scarp Nature Reserve	Galateia Goudeli	Greek	University of Copenhagen	National Park: Udzungwa Mountains. Forest Reserve: Uzungwa Scarp Nature Reserve.
50	Medium-term monitoring project of wildlife in protected areas supported by ADAP NGO projects in Central and Western Tanzania	Vincent Vyamana, Andrew Mariki, Matana Levi and Abdala	Tanzania	Open University of Tanzania	Forest Reserves: Mulele Hills and Rungwa. Wildlife Management Area:

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		Lingilie			Ipole. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Rungwa North Open Area.
51	Habitat types on the composition and distribution of rodents in Wami-mbiki Game Reserve	Upendo Daudi Mollen	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Wami-mbiki Game Reserve
52	Coexisting with pangolins through corridor protection for a better Future – Building capacity to empower local communities to protect pangolins in Kwakuchinja, Udzungwa-Selous, and Amani-Nilo corridors, Tanzania	Michael Honorati Kimaro, Fenrick Filbert Msigwa, Hillary Thomas Mrosso, Elisante Azaeli Kimambo, Simon Joshua Chidodo, Nyemo Amos Chilagane, Rose Peter Kicheleri, Charles Peter Mgeni, Rajabu Joseph Kangile, George Bunyata Bulenga, and Camille Warbingtorn, and Courtney Hughes	Tanzania United States of America	Tanzania Research and Conservation-Organization-Morogoro Tanzania	National Parks: Lake Manyara, Tarangire, Mkomazi, Nyerere and Udzungwa. Game Reserve(s): Selous. Forest Reserve(s): Magombera. Nature Reserve(s): Amani and Nilo. Game Controlled Area(s): Game Reserves connecting Kwakuchinja, Udzungwa-Nyerere and Amani-Nilo corridors. Village areas: Villages surrounding Kwakuchinja, Udzungwa-Nyerere, and Amani-Nilo corridors,

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		Victor Alexander Kakengi	Tanzania	TAWIRI	Manyara National Park, Tarangire National Park, Eastern Arc Mountains, Mkomazi National Park, Amani Nature Reserve, Nilo Nature Reserve, Selous Game Reserve, Udzungwa National Park, and Magombera Forest Reserve.
53	Assessment of factors affecting dung beetle species composition and distribution in Nyerere National Park, Tanzania	Evaristo A. Bruda	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Nyerere National Park
54	The influence of vegetation cover and habitat characteristics on butterfly diversity in Msolwa, Nyerere National Park	Dinah Lyaka	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Nyerere National Park
55	Protecting the habitat of the Amani Flatwing damselfly in the East Usambara Mountain	Victor John Mkongewa	Tanzania	Amani Friends of Nature	Amani Nature Forest Reserve
56	Vultures population surveys and monitoring in Makao Wildlife Management Area	Alpha Euzebio Mfilinge, Emmanuel Fidelis Mгимwa, and Edwin Kamugisha	Tanzania	Nature Tanzania	Makao Wildlife Management Area
57	Grey Crowned Cranes Monitoring in Karagwe and Kyerwa Districts, North-Western Tanzania	Emmanuel Fidelis Mгимwa, Edwin Kamugisha and Leonidas Momburi	Tanzania	Nature Tanzania	National Park(s): Ibanda-Kyerwa, Rumanyika Karagwe and Burigi Chato National Parks. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Kagera wetlands.
58	Assessment of the distribution and abundance	Emmanuel Fidelis	Tanzania	Nature	Kongwa and Mpwapwa

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	of migratory bird species and the status of illegal killing of birds in central Tanzania	Mgimwa, Edwin Kamugisha, Neema Mwaja and Laurencia Zacharia		Tanzania	Districts in Dodoma Region
59	Bird Ringing and Biodiversity Monitoring in Derema Forest Corridor (DFC), Tanga	Emmanuel Fidelis Mgimwa, Edwin Kamugisha, and Michael Gackson Nilongo	Tanzania	Nature Tanzania	Forest Reserve(s): Amani-Nilo Corridor. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): IBC-Msasa, Antakae, Kwezitu, Kambai, Kwemdimu and Zigi villages.
60	Diversity and distribution of insects especially butterflies and moths in ecosystem of Tanzania	Mtenzi Huruma Mtemela	Tanzania	Pasiansi Wildlife Institute-Mwanza	National: Udzungwa, Saadani and Ruaha Game Reserves: Selous and Mpanga-Kipengele. Forest Reserves: All Forest Reserves Open areas: All open areas
61	The Status of Biodiversity Conservation across Socio-ecological landscapes in Northern Tanzania	Bernard Kissui, Henry K. Njovu and John Mwamhanga	Tanzania	School for Field Studies-Centre for Wildlife Management Studies	National Parks: Tarangire, Lake Manyara, Serengeti and Arusha. Wildlife Management Areas: Burunge, Randilen and Makame. Game Controlled Areas: Mto wa mbu, Yaeda chini valley, Lake Natron, Simanjiro west/east and Kitwa. Open areas (District, Ward,

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62	nAPSAL – non-Apis Pollinators for Sustainable Agriculture and Livelihoods	Kathrin Krausa	German	Aga Khan University, Principal Campus, Arusha	Village): Monduli district, Karatu District, Babati District, Mbulu District, Manyara ranch, West Kilimanjaro, Yaeda Valley, Larja corridor, Lositete and Mbulu. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Arusha, Manyara and Kilimanjaro Regions.
63	Postfire effects on ground beetles composition on the slopes of mount Kilimanjaro	Lazaro Ibrahim Mbilinyi, Alex Kisingo and Gabriel Mayengo	Tanzania	College of African Wildlife Management, Mweka	Kilimanjaro National Park
64	<i>Rungwecebus kipunji</i> Monitoring and awareness raising in the Livingstone Mountains Ecosystem	Philipo Jacob Mtweve, Felician Ezekiel, Musa Marko and Catherine Elias	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	National Park(s): Kitulo. Game Reserve(s): Mpanga kipengele. Forest Reserve(s): Rungwe Nature Reserve, Mdandu, Nyumbanitu, Ndundulu, Milo and Madihani.
65	Zero Charcoal	Jerome Gadi Kimaro, Steven Nindi, Angela Mwakatobe and John	Tanzania	TAWIRI	Open Area (s) (District, Ward, Village): Ngorongoro, Manyoni, Kigoma Rural and

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		Bukombe			Mufindi
66	Using Bioacoustics Technology to Monitor Indicators of Biodiversity and Climate Change in the Gombe National Park and the Greater Gombe Ecosystem, Tanzania	Lilian Pintea, Kristopher Harmon, Bill Wallaue Emmanuel Mtiti, Director Jane Goodall Institute	USA	Jane Goodall Institute	National Park: Gombe. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Kigoma District, Village Forest Reserves in the Greater Gombe Ecosystem.
67	Assessing dung beetle diversity, their impacts on removal and redistribution of herbivore dung, and consequences for survival of gastrointestinal nematode eggs	Mecklina Michael Mbundi	Tanzania	University of Glasgow	National Park(s): Serengeti. Wildlife Management Area(s): Ikona. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Mugumu District. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
68	Fine-Scale habitat associations of medium-to large forest mammals in Minziro Nature Forest Reserve, Tanzania using camera Trapping	Thobias Tomoka, Batumike, Emanuel Martin and Alex W. Kisingo	Tanzania	College of African Wildlife Management, Mweka	Forest Reserve(s): Minziro Nature Forest Reserve. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Minziro, Kigazi, Karagala, Kakindo, Byantemba, Mutukula, Igayaza
69	Population status, harvesting, and conservation practices of East African Green Heart (<i>Warburgia ugandensis</i>) in Northern Tanzania	Letan Kurenia Mollel	Tanzania	Nelson Mandela African Institution of Science and Technology (NM-AIST)	National Park(s): Kilimanjaro. Forest Reserve(s): Mt. Monduli, Mt Ketumbeine, Mt. Gelai and Meru Mountain.

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70	Impacts of vegetation change on bird's diversity in Kilimanjaro National Park	Maryo Clement Lyuvale	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Kilimanjaro National Park
71	Multimodal monitoring of a key biodiversity area in Southern Tanzania	Jonathan Growcott	British	University of Exeter in England.	National Park(s): Nyerere. Game Reserve(s): Selous.
72	Influence of forest restorations on rodent diversity and prevalence of rodent borne diseases	Abdul Fadhili Mkeleml	Tanzania	SUA	Bunduki Forest Reserve
73	Surveillance of giraffe skin disease using the convolution neural network: a case study of Ruaha National Park	Jestina Katundukila, Fred Demetrius Chibwana, Anitha Philbert Byabato, Aviti Thadei Mushi, Mussa Daniel Budeba, Ally Tahir Bitebo.	Tanzania	University of Dar es Salaam	Ruaha National Park
74	Lowland and Highland birds of the eastern arc and its associated foothill forest and Migration between lowland and highland forest and species complexity	Louis Hansen and Flemming Pagh Jensen Jasson John and Chacha Werema	Denmark Tanzania	Copenhagen University in Denmark University of Dar es Salaam	Forest reserve(s): Eastern Arc Mountains and Lowland Forests.

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75	Indigenous knowledge, utilization and biological resources of medicinal plants in North western Tanzania	Julius Keyyu, Bukombe John, Joseph Otieno	Tanzania	TAWIRI, Institute of Traditional Medicine (ITM) and Institute of Biological Resources (NIBR) of the Republic of Korea	Local Government Authorities: Kagera, Geita, Shinyanga, Kigoma, Tabora, Kigoma, Katavi and Rukwa regions
76	The Birds of Southern Tanzania: A Pictorial Guide Book	Julius D. Keyyu, Ally K. Nkwabi, Deusedith B. Fidelis, Jassom John, Chang Yong CHOI, Jin Han KIM, Seyoung PARK, Gunmo Kim	Tanzania	TAWIRI and University of Dar es Salaam, Institute of Biological Resources (NIBR) of the Republic of Korea.	National parks: Ruaha NP, Nyerere NP, Udzungwa NP, and Kitulo NP Game Reserves: Rungwa GR, Kilombero GR, Mpanga Kipengele GR Forest Reserves: Poroto Ridge & Rungwe Nature Forest Reserve

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	Using critical natural and biodiversity features to promote effective conservation and livelihoods development in Tanzania	Florence Godfrey, Linus Munishi, Francis Moyo and Emanuel Mboya	Tanzania	Nelson Mandela African Institute of Science and Technology (NM-AIST)	National Park(s): Mkomazi, Kilimanjaro, Arusha, Tarangire, Lake Manyara and Serengeti and Saadani. Game Reserve(s): Grumeti. Forest Reserves: Amani, Chome, Magamba, Nilo, Hanang, Ufione, Nou, Bereko and Haraa Wildlife Management Area(s): Enduiment, Randilen and Burunge. Game Controlled Area(s): Longido, Kitwai, Loksale, Mto wa Mbu, Natron, Loliondo, Handeni. Open areas: Districts: Arusha Municipal, Arusha Rural, Ngorongoro, Meru, Karatu, Monduli, Longido, Babati, Babati town, Hanang, Kiteto, Mbulu and Simanjiro, Moshi district, Moshi municipal, Hai district, Siha district, Rombo district, Mwanga district and Same district, Handeni district, Handeni Town, Kilindi district, Korogwe district,

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					Korogwe town, Lushoto district, Muheza district, Mkinga district, Pangani district, Tanga city and Bambuli district. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
	A): ON GOING RESEARCH PROJECTS				
78	Evaluating Land use, Land Cover Change and Climate Change in Loliondo-Natron Region in Eastern Serengeti Ecosystem.	Fred Victor Ledidi	Tanzania	Institute of Rural Development Planning - DODOMA	National Park(s): Serengeti. Game Reserve(s): Pololeti, Grumeti and Ikorongo. Forest Reserve(s): Loliondo I, Enguserosambu Community Forest and Sariani Community Forest. Wildlife Management Area(s): Ikona and Makao. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Ngorongoro, Karatu, Monduli, Arusha, Longido. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
79	Future climate change impacts on the supply of water-related NCP along climate and land-use gradients	Codalli Fabia	Italy	Justus Liebig University of Giessen	National Park: Kilimanjaro. Open areas: All districts, wards, and villages at the southern slopes of Kilimanjaro (Moshi Municipal, Moshi

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80	The role of nature for human-being in the Kilimanjaro Socio-Ecological System (Kili-SES) Kilimanjaro	Remmele Sabine	German	University of Bayreuth, Department of Plant Systematics, Universitätsstr. 30, 95440 Bayreuth	District, Hai District). Kilimanjaro National Park
	B): NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS				
81	Kilimanjaro Telescope Project	Noorali Jiwaji, Emmanuel Kigadye, Said Ally and Seba Ackim	Tanzania	Open University of Tanzania	Saddle Area of Kilimanjaro National Park and at Kibo Huts
82	Spatial Analysis of Climate Change Vulnerability for Tanzanian Biodiversity Project	Sheperd Doleman Toni Morelli and Cybil Nicole "Nikki" Cavalieri	USA USA	USGS Northeast Climate Adaptation Science Center	National Park(s): All NPs. Game Reserve(s): All GRs. Forest Reserve(s): All FRs. Wildlife Management Area(s): All WMAs. Game Controlled Area(s): All GCAs. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): All open areas.
83	Use of recycled plastic poles for increasing the lifespan of chain-linked livestock boma	Exper Plus Jerome Kimaro, Wilfred Marealle and Angela Mwakatobe	Tanzania Tanzania	TAWIRI	Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Ngorongoro, Karatu, Monduli and Longido Districts

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RESEARCH PRIORITY THEME – WATER RESOURCES AND WETLAND CONSERVATION (WRWC):					
B): NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS					
84	Assessment of river health status of the Kihansi River Catchment, Tanzania	Ahmad Nyagongo Adam	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Open areas (Village): Uhafiwa, Masisiwe, Bomalang'ombe and Mbawi villages in Kilolo District, Iringa Region.
85	The role of nature for human well-being in the Kilimanjaro Social-Ecological System (Kili-SES) Sub-title: 'A citizen science approach to enhance hydro-climatic monitoring on Mt. Kilimanjaro'.	Suzanne Robin Jacobs	Netherlands	Justus Liebig University Giessen, Germany	National Park(s): Kilimanjaro. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): All districts, wards, and villages at the southern slopes of Kilimanjaro.
86	Impact of man-made water sources on animal behavior and adjacent vegetation in Mkomazi National Park, Tanzania, Research Priority High	Mark Keegan Jerome Kimaro	United States of America Tanzania	Oregon State University, College of Forestry, Department of Forest Ecosystems & Society (USA) TAWIRI	Mkomazi National Park (MNP).

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	RESEARCH PRIORITY THEME – WILDLIFE DISEASES (WD)				
	A): ON GOING RESEARCH PROJECTS				
87	Ecosystem Health Research in Tanzania	Sarah Cleaveland	British/USA	University of Glasgow	National Park: Serengeti. Game Reserves: Ikorongo, Grumeti, and Maswa. Wildlife Management Areas: Makao and Rubada. Game Controlled Area: Loliondo. Open areas: Simanjiro and Monduli Districts. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
88	Chimpanzee eco-health at Gombe National Park ^o .	Elizabeth Lonsdorf, Thomas Gillespie, and Jessica Deere	USA	Emory University	Gombe National Park
89	The epidemiological surveillance and risk factors associated with Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever in animals in northern Tanzania	Ray Kayaga	Tanzania	The Nelson Mandela African Institution of Science and Technology (NM-AIST),	National Park: Serengeti. Others: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.

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90	Giraffe Conservation in Tanzania – Supporting Tanzania's National Giraffe Conservation Strategy and Action Plan	Bienvenu Muneza Julius Keyyu	Rwanda Tanzania	TAWIRI	National Park(s): Serengeti, Tarangire, Mikumi, Lake Manyara, Ruaha, Julius Nyerere, Mkomazi, Arusha, Katavi, Saadani, Burigi-Chato, Ibanda, Rumanyika Karagwe. Game Reserve(s): Selous, Grumeti, Ikorongo, Tarime, Ikona, Maswa, Lolkisale, Swaga Swaga, Kizigo, Rungwa, Muhesi, Rukwa, Lukwati, Ugalla, Moyowosi, Kigosi, Biharamulo. Wildlife Management Area(s): Burunge, Enduimet, Lake Natron, Ipole, MBOMIPA, Ikona, Kimbanda, Randileni, Pawaga – Idodi. Others: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
91	Savanna dynamics: linkages between predator-prey-fire parasite interactions and vegetation dynamics in the Serengeti ecosystem	Arjun Brandreth Potter, Vanessa Ezenwa and Todd Michael Anderson Ricardo Holdo Jason Donaldson	United State of America Argentina South Africa	Wake Forest University	National Park(s): Serengeti. Game Reserve(s): Ikorongo, Grumeti, and Maswa. Wildlife Management Area(s): Ikona. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
92	Ecosystem Health Research in Tanzania	Felix Lankester	United Kingdom	Washington	National Park(s): Serengeti.

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	Project			State University	Game Controlled Area(s): Maswa. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Serengeti, Tarime, Maswa, Bunda, Bariadi, Ngorongoro, Magu, Busega, Simanjiro and Arusha.
93	Improving the Delivery of Mass Dog Vaccinations to Support the Elimination of Dog-Mediated Rabies in Tanzania	Anna Czupryna	America	University of Glasgow and Ifakara Health Institute	National Park(s): Serengeti and Arusha. Game Reserve(s): Ikorongo and Grumeti. Wildlife Management Area(s): Ikona. Game Controlled Area(s): Ikorongo and Grumeti. Open Areas (District, Ward, Village): Mara Region, Serengeti, Rorya, Butiama, Bunda, Tarime, Musoma, Arusha, Meru, Ngorongoro, NCAA, Shinyanga, Mwanza, Manyara, Simiyu, Pemba island, Morogoro, Karatu, Kilimanjaro, Zanzibar, Dodoma, Mtwara Region, Lindi Region, Coastal-Pwani Region, Dar es Salaam Region.

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94	Movement Ecology and Neurobiology of Navigation: Insights from Island Experiments with Bats	Nachum Ulanovsky and Yossi Yovel	Israel	Weizmann Institute of Science	Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Small Island in the Indian Ocean (Latham Island).
95	Ecosystem health research in Tanzania". Sub-title "Molecular epidemiology of brucellosis and other zoonoses in northern Tanzania.	Joanna Elizabeth Bowen Halliday	United Kingdom	University of Glasgow	National Park(s): Serengeti. Other(s): Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Arusha, Manyara, Mara, Simiyu, Kilimanjaro, Tanga, Coast, Morogoro and Dar es Salaam.
B) NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS					
96	Rodents' distribution and their associated ectoparasites in and around Kimboza Forest Reserve.	Adventina Nyanjobe Anthony	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Kimboza Forest Reserve
97	Zoonotic Disease Exposures in the Gombe-Masito-Ugalla Ecosystem of Western Tanzania	Dismas Mwacha, Deus Mjungu, Shadrack Kamenya, Simon Chacha, Iddi Lipende, Ritha Mlingi and Mololo Noah Thomas Gillespie,	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Kigoma and Uvinza Districts, Kigoma Region.

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		Jessica Deere, Jesca Lebba			
98	Prevalence, Characterization, Community Awareness and Risk Factors of Rift Valley Fever Virus in Ngorongoro District, Tanzania	Amina Issa Ramadhani	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Unprotected areas in the Ngorongoro District (in community areas.
99	Zoonotic Diseases Risk Analysis Along the Game Meat Trade Value Chain in Northern Tanzania	Daniel Mdelele and Qudra Kagembe	Tanzania	TRAFFIC International East Africa	Arusha, Kilimanjaro and Manyara.
100	Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever: Reducing an Emerging Health Threat in Tanzania'	Melinda Rostal	Switzerland	EcoHealth Alliance	National Park: Serengeti. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Arusha Region, Including Arusha Urban,
		Johana Teigen	USA		Arusha Rural, Monduli, Longido, Karatu, and Ngorongoro Districts.
		AbdulHamid Lukambagire Settenda	Tanzania		
		Rebecca Bodenham, Nichar Gregory	United Kingdom		
101	Assessment of the prevalence and diversity of endoparasites (Helminths) of Cane Rats (<i>Thryonomys swinderianus</i>)	Abdulrahman Hamisi Songwe, Alfian Rija and Sayuni Mariki	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA)	Forest Reserve (s): Uluguru and Udzungwa.
102	Epidemiological study of zoonotic bacteria in human and animals Interfaces in Southern	Angelamercy Baltazary, Fred	Tanzania	University of Dar es Salaam.	Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Newala and Masasi

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	Lowlands	Demetrius Chibwana, Anitha Philbert Byabato, Victor Makene, Jestina Venance Katandukila and Respicius Damian Shumbusho			Districts.
103	A Multi-sectoral survey to explore animal hosts or reservoirs associated with outbreak of Marburg Virus Disease in Kagera Region, North western Tanzania	Salum Ally Manyatta, Julius Keyyu, Pius Horumpende, Andrew Chota, Athuman Lipindu and Justine Assenga	Tanzania	Prime Minister's Office	Open Area (s) (District, Ward, Village): Bukoba District Council, Bukoba Municipal council, Muleba and Kyerwa.
104	LeoThreat. Assessment of the threat of metal exposure to lions (<i>Panthera leo</i>) in Tanzania.	Sánchez Virostia Stanslaus Mwampeta	Spain Tanzania	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	National Park (s): Serengeti and Kigosi. Game Reserve(s): Moyowosi.
105	Influence of woody plant encroachment on the prevalence of gastrointestinal parasites in pasture	Ernest Eblate Mjingo, and Justin Shamanche Houssein Samwel Kimaro and Hussein Adam	Tanzania Tanzania	TAWIRI College of African Wildlife Management, Mweka	Serengeti National Park
106	Investigation of the role of small mammals in the transmission of Leptospirosis; a zoonotic disease in Lindi and Mtwara regions, Tanzania	Ulime Amon, Leticia J. Musese, Monica T. Shileroyo, Alex J. Mujuni, Florence G.	Tanzania	University of Dar es Salaam	Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Lindi (Liwale and Ruagwa districts), Mtwara (Tandahimba district and

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		Tarimo and Kija Nghabi			Mtwara rural districts).
107	Leveraging pathogen genomics for an improved domestic pig health and production by mapping African swine fever virus transmission dynamics at the wildlife-livestock interface in Tanzania	Jean Nepomuscene Hakizimana Gerald Misinzo, Hezron Nonga and Julius Keyyu	Rwanda Tanzania Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture TAWIRI	National Park(s): Serengeti. Game Reserve(s): Maswa. Open area(s): Meatu, Bariadi and Serengeti Districts.
108	Understanding local perspectives and ecological factors influencing the distribution of pangolins in North-West Tanzania	Michael Kimaro	Tanzania	Tanzania Research and Conservation Organization	National Parks: Burigi-Chato, Rumanyika-Karagwe, and Ibanda-Kyerwa. Village areas: Villages surrounding Burigi-Chato, Rumanyika-Karagwe, and Ibanda-Kyerwa.
109	Assessing zoonotic malaria and in vivo cultivation of <i>Treponema pallidum</i> from free-ranging non-human primates across national parks in Tanzania	Idrissa Shomari Chuma, Julius D. Keyyu and Rudovick R. Kazwala, Issa Lyimo, Felician Clement Meza and Kefasi Mugitu	Tanzania	Tanzania National Parks (TANAPA).	National Parks: Lake Manyara, Tarangire, Serengeti, Ruaha, Udzungwa, Gombe, Mahale, Katavi, Nyerere, Saadani and Mkomazi. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
110	Population-Stabilizing Portfolio Effects of Fine-Scale Environmental Variations in Natural Resource Availability to Malaria Vector Mosquitoes: Characterization and Implications for Control Strategies "	Deogratius Kavishe, Sebastian Ngasoma, Gerry Klein, Felister Mombo, Rogath Msoffe, and Moureen Daffa Tanzania	Tanzania	Ifakara Health Institute	ILUMA Community Wildlife Management Area

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111	Environmental controls on parasite infection dynamics in a multihost community at the wildlife-livestock interface'	Lily Duggan, Katrina Walsh, Gerry Killeen Houssein Samwel Kimaro	Ireland Tanzania	College of African Wildlife Management	National Park(s): Serengeti. Game Reserve(s): Ikorongo-Grumeti and Maswa. Open Areas (District, Ward, Village): Loliondo, Ngorongoro, Mugumu and Robanda.
112	RESEARCH PRIORITY THEME -- BEEKEEPING, BEE ECOLOGY, BEE PRODUCTS, AND POLLINATION SERVICES (BKBEBP) Beekeeping in Tanzania: Enhancing hive occupancy and production of honeybee products for improved livelihoods in selected beekeeping potential areas	Emmanuel Mmassy, Angela Mwakatobe, Nicephor Lesio, Richard Allen, Stanslaus Lukiko, Thomas Sawe, Loveness Munisi, Issa Mpinga, Wilfred Marealle, Victor Kakengi, Essau Kusimula, Ntiniwa Kipemba, Kezia Oola and Seleman Moshi	Tanzania	TAWIRI	National Parks: Ugalla River and Kigosi. Forest Reserves: Tapika (Rufiji District), Igombe (Tabora Region). Forest plantations/catchment: West Kilimanjaro - Hai District. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): coastal area, Kongowe-Kibaha-Mafia Island.

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	B): NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS				
113	Influence of Land Use Type on Honeybee Colony Performance and Productivity	Alphoncina Mponzi, Wilfred Marealle Sued Jafar and Alpha Richard	Tanzania	TAWIRI	Open area(s) (District, Ward, Village): Kilimanjaro, Tabora and Arusha
	RESEARCH PRIORITY THEME – WILDLIFE ECOLOGY AND ECOLOGICAL INTERACTIONS (WE&EI):				
	A): ON GOING RESEARCH PROJECTS				
114	Behavioral, Ecological and Conservation Studies of Chimpanzees and Other Larger Mammals in the Greater Mahale Area’.	Michio Nakamura	Japan	Kyoto University	National Park(s): Mahale. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Kigoma District.
115	Impact of Masai giraffe (<i>Giraffa camelopardalis tipes/kirchi</i>) nursery groups on development of social associations and calf survivorship”	Miho Saito	Japanese	Kyoto University	Katavi National Park and Sitalike Village
116	Understanding vulture movement and population monitoring in Tanzania	Corinne Kendall Claire Bracebridge	USA UK	North Carolina Zoo, USA (and Wildlife Conservation)	National Parks: Ruaha, Katavi, Ugalla, Saadani, Nyerere, Lake Manyara, Tarangire and Mikumi.

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		Msafiri Mgumba, Edward Kohi and Stanley Mbilinyi	Tanzania	Society in Tanzania)	Game Reserves: Rungwa, Muhesi, Kizigo, Lukwati-Piti, Rukwa-Lwafi, Ugalla, Selous, Mkungunero, Inyonga and Wami Mbiki. Wildlife Management Areas: MBOMIPA, Waga, UMEMARUWA, Mpimbwe, Ipole, Ikona, Makame, Burunge and Makao. Game Controlled Areas: Lunda-Mkwambi, Rungwa River and Mele GCAs. Open Areas: Rungwa South & Mzombe, Piti, and Tongwe East.
117	Does nepotism make spotted hyena populations vulnerable to environmental change?	Eve Davidian	French	Ngorongoro Hyena Project	Ngorongoro Conservation Area
118	Ungulate Ecology, Health, and Conservation in Northern Tanzania Including: Giraffe Population Genetics and Demography in Northern Tanzania	Derek Edward Lee, Monica Bond, Doug Cavener: James Madeli and George Lohay	United States of America Tanzania	Wild Nature Institute & Penn State University	National Parks: Tarangire, Serengeti, Arusha, Lake Manyara, Ruaha and Nyerere. Game Controlled Areas: Lolikisale and Mto wa mbu. Wildlife Management Areas: Burunge and Randilen. Others: Ngorongoro Conservation Area, Manyara

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119	Breeding Success and Habitat Characteristics of the Gyps africanus in Western Serengeti, Northern Tanzania	Vainess Solomon Laizer	Tanzania	SUA and Grumeti Fund	Ranch. National Park(s): Serengeti. Game reserve(s): Ikorongo and Grumeti. Wildlife Management Area(s): Ikona.
120	Long-term ecological study of African lion <i>Panthera leo</i> in Serengeti National Park Tanzania: Understanding population biology and behaviour of Top – Order Predator in an African Savannah ecosystem	Emmanuel Masenga and Bernard Kissui	Tanzania	TAWIRI	National Park(s): Serengeti. Game Reserves(s): Grumeti and Ikorongo.
121	The status and ecology of African wild dogs (<i>Lycan pictus</i>) in the Ruaha-Katavi landscape	Montan Kalyahe	Tanzania	Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS).	National Park(s): Ruaha and Katavi. Game Reserve(s): Rungwa, Kizigo, Muhesi, Lukwati-Piti and Rukwa-Lwafi. Forest Reserve(s):

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		Tim Davenport and Aaron Nicholas	United Kingdom		Kipembawe, and Itulu Hills Nature Forest Reserve. Wildlife Management Areas: MBOMIPA, Waga, Umemaruwa and Mpimbwe. Game Controlled Area(s): Lunda – Mkwambi, Inyonga, and Wambere. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Rungwa North, Rungwa South, Rungwa-Mzombe and Piti East. Open Areas: all villages adjacent to above mentioned protected areas.
122	"Ecology and Conservation of the Elephant Metapopulation of South-central Tanzania"	Frank Lihwa, Solomon Sembosi, Loyce Majige, Josephine Smith	Tanzania Netherlands	University of Stirling (UK) & Southern Tanzania	National Park(s): Ruaha and Udzungwa. Game Reserve(s): Rungwa,
				Elephant PProgram	

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		Victor Kakengi and Edward Kohi		TAWIRI	Kizigo, Muhesi. Forest Reserve(s): Magombera, Nyangoro, Mangalisa, Image, Kitapilimwa. Wildlife Management Area(s): MBOMIPA. Game Controlled Area(s): Lunda-Nkwambi. Other: Iringa Region (Iringa Rural District, Kilolo District), Morogoro Region (Kilombero District, Kilosa District), Singida Region (Itigi District), Dodoma Region (Mpwapwa District).
123	Behaviour, physiology and evolution of sex roles in coucals.	Wolfgang Goymann	German	Max Planck Institute for Biological Intelligence	Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Mbeya Region, Kyela and Mbarali Districts.
124	Spotted Hyenas in the Serengeti Ecosystem: Causes and Consequences of the Commuting System in the Serengeti	Heribert Hofer and Sonja Metzger Marion East Oliver Höner	German United Kingdom Switzerland	Leibniz Institute	National Park (s): Serengeti. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
125	Application of GPS technology in understanding seasonal movement, drivers to	Emmanuel Masenga, Ernest	Tanzania	TAWIRI	Game Reserve(s): Maswa. Wildlife Management Area(s):

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	human-elephant conflicts and suggesting mitigations along Mwiba, Makao Open Area and Maswa Game Reserve boundaries	Mjingo and Revocatus Mneney			Makao. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Meatu, Itilima, Bariadi and Busega.
126	Improving telemetry technology application in monitoring of Black Rhinoceros and African elephant in Ngorongoro Conservation Area, Tanzania	Emmanuel Masenga, Ernest Mjingo, Donatus Gadiye and Revocatus Menev	Tanzania	TAWIRI	Game Reserve: Maswa. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Ngorongoro, Meatu, Karatu. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
127	Range use shift by the yellow Baboons in Mikumi National Park, Tanzania	Samwel Mtoka	Tanzania	TAWIRI	Mikumi National Park
128	Ecology, Behaviour and Life-Histories of Olive Baboons in Gombe National Park	David Anthony Collins	United Kingdom	Jane Goodall Institute	Gombe National Park
129	The role of soil and vegetation diversity in supplying of regulating nature contribution to people (NCP) in Mountainous Ecosystem	Dickson Gerald Mauki	Tanzania	Senckenberg Biodiversity and Climate Research Center	Kilimanjaro National Park
130	Pyrophilic behavior of sympatric chimpanzees and baboons in the Issa Valley, Tanzania	Nora Bennamoun	French	UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON	Tongwe West Forest Reserve
131	Behavioral, Ecological and Conservation Studies of Chimpanzees and Other Larger Mammals in the Greater Mahale Area	Michio Nakamura	Japan	Kyoto University	National Park(s): Mahale. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Kigoma District.
132	Western Tanzanian Primate Ecology and Conservation into the Anthropocene	Alex Piel	United Kingdom	University College London	Tongwe West Forest Reserve; Greater Mahale Ecosystem.

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133	Serengeti Wild Dog Conservation Project	Emmanuel Masenga and Ernest Mjingo	Tanzania	TAWIRI	National Park(s): Serengeti. Game Reserve(s): Maswa. Wildlife Management Area(s): Makao. Game Controlled Area(s): Pololeti. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
134	"Social Organization, Ecology, Genetics and Disease in Jackals".	Patricia D Moehlman	USA	University of Dar es Salaam	National Park (s): Serengeti National Park. Other Areas: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
		Steven Temu	Tanzania		
135	An Ecological and Behavioral Study of Red-tailed Monkeys (<i>Cercopithecus ascanius</i>), Blue Monkeys (<i>C. mitis</i>), and Hybrids (<i>C. ascanius</i> x <i>C. mitis</i>) at Gombe National Park, Tanzania	Kate M. Detwiler	USA	Florida Atlantic University	Gombe National Park
B) NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS					
136	Distribution of herbaceous species in response to changing fire dynamics around a protected Tropical Savanna	Louis Marcel Hunninck Stuart Smith Anna Treydte John Bukombe:	Belgium United Kingdom Germany Tanzania	Stockholm University TAWIRI	National Park: Serengeti. Game Reserves: Maswa, Grumeti, Ikorongo. Wildlife Management Area: Ikona.
137	"Human-honeyguide relationship in mutualism "coldspot" in southern Tanzania".	Amana Othman Kilawi	Tanzania	University of Cape Town	National Parks: Ruaha, Nyerere, Serengeti and Katavi.

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138	Perceived predation risk in three species of sympatric primates in the Issa valley, Tanzania	David Meszaros	United States of America	University of California San Diego	Game Reserves: Rungwa, Maswa and Pololeti. Forest Reserve: Mlele. Wildlife Management Areas: Simanjiro and Lake Natron. Game Controlled Area: Simanjiro. Open areas (District, Ward, Village: Mlele, Tinaga, Lake Eyasi, Maswa and Ngorongoro. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Tongwe West Forest Reserve
139	Which role of local communities for the sustainability of Eco-tourism? a case study from Tanzania	Chiara Caterina Razzano	Italy	Università degli Studio milano-Bicocca, Italy	National Parks: Arusha, Tarangire and Lake Manyara. Conservation Area: Ngorongoro. Wildlife Management Area(s): Burunge and others that will be identified during preliminary survey. Game Controlled Area(s): Identification of the suitable areas will be done after preliminary surveys.

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140	Tree hyrax (<i>Dendrohyrax spp.</i>) field study in Tanzania: taxonomy, distribution, and ecology of tree hyraxes	Hanna Annikki Rosti and Henry Sebastian Pihlström	Finland	University of Helsinki	Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Arusha DC, Babati DC, Longido DC, Karatu and other districts and villages surrounding the selected National Parks. National Parks: Mt Kilimanjaro and Udzungwa Mountains. Forest Reserves: Usambara, Pare, Uluguru, Ngezi (Pemba Island) and Jozani Forest (Zanzibar).
141	Response and Resilience Following Multiple Extreme Events in Pastoral Systems with Contrasting Land Use Regimes	James Terrance McCabe, Amy Quandt, Paul Willard Leslie Cuthbert Nahonyo	USA Tanzania	University of Colorado University of Dar es Salaam	Wildlife Management Areas. Enduimet, Burunge and Randilen. Open areas: Arusha and Manyara Regions.
142	Social Context and Developmental Process of Cultural Behavior among the Chimpanzees of Mahale: In the Case of Pant-Grunt and Leaf-Clipping Behavior	Nishie Hitonaru	Japan	Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies, Kyoto University	National Park: Mahale Mountains. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Boundary area of Mahale Mountains National Park.
143	Pelage Color and Pattern, Body Size and Vocalizations of Redtailed Monkeys (<i>Cercopithecus ascanius</i>), Blue Monkeys (<i>C. mitis</i>), and Hybrids (<i>C. ascanius</i> x <i>C. mitis</i>) at	Kathryn Coates	USA	Florida Atlantic University	Gombe National Park

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	Gombe National Park, Tanzania				
144	Land cover change in Ngorongoro Crater in relation to the black rhinoceros habitat	Gwamaka Jwan Mwangwala	Tanzania	College of African Wildlife Management.	Ngorongoro Conservation Area
145	Water Stress and Behavioral Strategies to Lactation in Wild Chimpanzees (Pan troglodytes)	Rachel Nelson Deus Mjungu	USA Tanzania	The George Washington University	Gombe National Park
146	Eastern chimpanzee (<i>Pan troglodytes schweinfurthii</i>) Habitat Connectivity and Population Status in the Greater Mahale Ecosystem of western Tanzania	Devon Thurston, James Parsons	United States of America	Greater Mahale Ecosystem Research and Conservation	Forest Reserve(s): Tongwe East and West. Open Areas (District, Ward, Village): Uvinza, Tanganyika and Mpanda Districts.
147	The influence of seasonal plant food availability on the ranging patterns of eastern chimpanzees (<i>Pan troglodytes schweinfurthii</i>) in the Issa Valley, western Tanzania	Maijo Simula Peres Rebecca Peattie McCann	Tanzania United Kingdom	TAWIRI University College London	Tongwe East Forest Reserve
148	Mapping the distribution of invasive with sentinel 2 imagery in Ngorongoro Conservation Area, Tanzania	Delvina Ayubu Meshili	Tanzania	Northeast Forestry University (China).	Ngorongoro Conservation Area (NCA).
149	Population status and threats of the endangered African wild dog in the Selous-Nyerere landscape, southern Tanzania	Singira Ngoishiye Parsais	Tanzania	Nelson Mandela African Institution of Science and Technology	National Parks: Nyerere. Game Reserve(s): Selous. Wildlife Management Area(s): Juhiwangumwa, Mungata and Magingo. Open Areas: Kilwa North

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150	Assessment of the effects of elephants on vegetation in the northern part of Serengeti National Park, Tanzania	Fred Wilson Kivuyo	Tanzania	TANAPA	and Kilwa South O. Others: Region: Lindi, Pwani, Morogoro, and Ruvuma. Serengeti National Park
151	The influence of groundwater tables on invasive species growth in eastern Africa rangelands	Laura Andrea Soliz Miranda	Bolivian	Nelson Mandela African Institute of Science and Technology	Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
152	Elephant demography study: Assessment of age and sex structures of elephants in western Serengeti.	Juma Joseph Minya	Tanzania	University of Glasgow.	National Park: Serengeti. Game Reserves: Ikorongo, Grumeti and Maswa. Wildlife Management Area: Ikona.
153	Interactions between wildlife, invasive species and food security in Western Serengeti	Elena Nera	Italy	Leiden University, UK	Game Reserve(s): Ikorongo and Grumeti. Wildlife Management Area(s): Ikona. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Villages from Bunda and Serengeti Districts which are adjacent Ikona WMA, Grumeti Game Reserve and Ikorongo Game Reserve.

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154	Impacts of Invasive Alien Plants in Western of Great Serengeti Ecosystem	Exavery Aidan Kigosi	Tanzania	Leiden University, UK	Game Reserve(s): Ikorongo and Grumeti. Wildlife Management Area(s): Ikona. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Villages from Bunda and Serengeti Districts which are adjacent Ikona WMA, Grumeti Game Reserve and Ikorongo Game Reserve.
155	Understanding wild meat consumption in Tanzania	Paulo Wilfred, Cuthbert Nahonyo, Venance Mutayoba, Emmanuel Martin and Flora Magige	Tanzania	Open University of Tanzania	National Park: Ruaha. Game Reserve: Ugalla and Rungwa. Wildlife Management Areas: Ipole WMA and Uyumbu. Game Controlled Areas: Ugunda and Itulu.
156	Molecular epidemiology and genetic diversity of Lyssaviruses in Bat species in Tanzania	Emmanuel Bunuma Kulwa	Zambia	The University of Zambia	National Park(s): Serengeti. Open areas (District): Bats colonies in Morogoro Region. Other: Amboni Caves Conservation Area in Tanga Region.

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157	Northern Tanzania Raptors Project: an in-depth study of the secretary bird in the Serengeti ecosystem, Tarangire and Arusha National Parks	Federico Roman, Elena Ramella Levis and Gianni Pavan and	Italy	University of Pavia; CIBRA: Interdisciplinary Centre for Bioacoustics and	National Park(s): Serengeti, Tarangire and Arusha. Others: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
		Emmanuel Mmassy	Tanzania	Environmental Research	
158	Effectiveness of Sanje Mangabey (<i>Cercocerbus sanjei</i>) as seed disperser on the plant population of ficus sur and parinari excelsa	Frank Salum Bedui	Tanzania	TAWIRI	Udzungwa National Park
159	Assessment of management effectiveness of protected areas in Tanzania: A case study of Mikumi and Saadani National Parks	Canishaz Raphael Bامanyisa	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Mikumi and Saadani National Parks
160	'Pangolin behavioural investigation and factors influencing their distribution in Kwakuchinja, Nyerere Selous-Udzungwa, and Amani-Nilo corridors, Tanzania	Camille Warbington	United States of America	Tanzania Research and Conservation Organization (TRCO), local NGO	National Park(s): Tarangire, Lake Manyara, Mkomazi, Nyerere, and Udzungwa. Game Reserve(s): Selous. Forest Reserve(s): Magombera. Nature Reserve(s): Amani and Nilo. Game Controlled Area(s): All

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					Game attached with the Kwakuchinja, Selous, and corridors. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Villages surrounding Kwakuchinja, Selous, and Manyara National Park, Tarangire National Park, Eastern Arc Mountains, Mkomazi National Park, Amani Nature Reserve, Nilo Nature Reserve, Selous Game Reserve, Udzungwa National Park, and Magombera Forest Reserve.
161	Using morphometrics and genetic characterization to infer genetic diversity of pancake tortoise in Tanzania	Bakari Mtili, Nassoro Mohamed, Rudolf Mremi and Gabriel Mayengo	Tanzania	College of African Wildlife Management	National Park: Tarangire. Open areas: Babati, Kondoa and Chemba.
161	Understanding the population demographics and genetic diversity of sitatunga <i>Tragelaphus spekkii</i> in Tanzania	Bakari Mtili, Emmanuel Lyimo and Emmanuel Martin	Tanzania	College of African Wildlife Management	Rubondo Island and Kigosi National Parks
163	Movements and Fate of Male Lions at Maturity: Influence of Social Factors and Prey Composition	Christopher Comer and Jerrold Belant	USA	Safari Club International Foundation	Moyowosi Game Reserve

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		Eblate Mjingo, Alex Lobora Stanslaus Mwampeta	Tanzania Tanzania	TAWIRI NTNU	
164	Seasonal Fluctuations in Activity Budget in the wild, east African chimpanzees from the Issa valley Tanzania	Lian Willemijn Bakker	Netherlands	University of applied sciences van Hall Larenstein	Tongwe West Forest Reserve
165	The Impact of Burned Landscapes on the Presence of Mammalian Species in a Miombo Woodland Mosaic, Western Tanzania	Romane Leten	Belgium	Maastricht University, the Netherlands	Tongwe West Forest Reserve
166	Towards a sustainable future for wildlife and people in the Greater Serengeti-Mara Ecosystem	Han Olff	Netherlands	Groningen Institute for Evolutionary Life Sciences	National Park(s): Serengeti, Game Reserve(s): Grumeti, Ikorongo, and Kijereshi. Forest Reserve(s): Loliondo I and II. Wildlife Management Area(s): Ikona, and Makao. Game Controlled Area(s): Speke Gulf. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Different villages in the following districts:

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167	Resource partitioning between different wildlife species and livestock in relation to land management	Lisa Budidarm	Netherlands	Leiden University	Ngorongoro, Meatu, Itilima, Bariadi, Busega, Bunda, Serengeti, and Tarime. Others: NCA. National Park(s): Serengeti. Forest reserve(s): Loliondo I and Loliondo II FR. Open areas (District, Ward, Village) Villages in NCA and Loliondo: Olbalal, Malambo, Arash, Maalon, Oloipiri, Soitsambu, and Ololosokwan.
168	The influence of seasonality, age, and rank on patrol behaviour in East African chimpanzees (<i>Pan troglodytes</i>) in the Issa Valley, Tanzania	Drontmann Nicolien Elisabeth Fleur	Netherlands	University of applied sciences van Hall Larenstein	Tongwe West Forest Reserve
169	Elephant Landscape Connectivity in northern Tanzania	Anna Estes	United States of America	Carleton College, Nelson Mandela African Institution of Science and Technology and the Rare Species Conservatory Foundation	National Park(s): Serengeti; Lake Manyara, Tarangire, and Arusha. Game Reserve(s): Maswa, Ikorongo, Grumeti and Swagaswaga. Forest Reserve(s): Loliondo, Gelai, Kitumbeini, Essimngor, Monduli, Longido, and Nou. Wildlife Management Area(s): Ikona, Burunge, Makame, and Enduimet.

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170	The Range and Interaction of the <i>Connocchaetes taurinus</i> in the increasing human pressure in Tanzania".	Emmanuel Hosiana Masenga, Eblate Ernest Mjinga, Edward Kohi	Tanzania	TAWIRI	Open areas (District, Ward, Village) Karatu, Mbulu, Babati, Monduli, Arumeru, Hai, Simanjiro, Kiteto, and Kondo. Additional: Lake Natron, Mto wa Mbu, Lokisale, and Simanjiro. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
		Benjamin Chow-Battersby	Singapore		National Park(s): Serengeti, Tarangire, Mikumi, Saadani, and Nyerere. Game Reserve(s): Selous, Maswa, and Kijereshi. Wildlife Management Area(s): Liwale. Game Controlled Area(s): Natron.
171	A survey to establish baseline data on the socio-economic and ecological indicators in the Tarangire ecosystem	Alex Kisingo, Prof. Kokel L. Melubo, Rudolf Filemon Mremi, Abraham Eustace and Peter Mkilindi	Tanzania	College of African Wildlife Management, Mweka and Tanzania Wildlife Authority.	Wildlife Management Area(s): Randlen. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Simanjiro, Babati, Monduli, and Longido Districts.

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172	Unveiling the Mirror: Exploring Self-Directed Behaviour and Social Dynamics in Wild Chimpanzees through Mirror-Mediated Interactions	Liam Taylor	United Kingdom	Cambridge University	Tongwe West Forest Reserve
173	Behavioral, Ecological and Conservation Studies of Chimpanzees and Other Larger Mammals in the Greater Mahale Area Sub-title: 'Hunting and Meat-Eating Behaviour of Chimpanzees in the Mahale Mountains National Park'.	Kazuhiko Hosaka	Japan	Kamakura Women's University	Mahale Mountains National Park
174	Spatial Analysis of Botanical Diversity and Primate Feeding Sources in the Issa Valley	Wiske Bovee	Netherlands	Can Larenstein University	Tongwe West Forest Reserve
175	Assessment of Population Ecology of Puku (<i>Kobus Vardonii</i>) in Rukwa Game Reserve, Tanzania'	Fred Stephen Tweve	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Lake Rukwa Game Reserve
176	Identification of human wild dog conflict hotspots to prioritize mitigation efforts in Simanjiro plains'	Houghton Herbert Menoi	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Simanjiro Plains
177	Continent-wide genomics of hybridisation and speciation	Alexander Kirschel	Cyprus	University of Cyprus	National Park(s): Ruaha, Kitulo, Udzungwa and Saadani. Game Reserve(s): Ibanda, Rumanyka Orugundu, Kimisi, Burigi, Biharamulo, Kigosi, Moyowosi, Northern Kahama, Maswa, Grumeti, Ugalla

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178	Assessment of Feeding Ecology and Habitat Utilization of Caracal in the Northern Part of Serengeti Ecosystem, Tanzania	Ellen Ponsian Kasaka, Emmanuel H. Masenga, Revocatus Mene, Emmanuel Usangila, Grayson Mwakalebe Zac Mcmenemy	Tanzania	TAWIRI	River, Rungwa and Kipengere Mpanga. Forest Reserve(s): Minziro, Kagera, Ruande, Sima, Buhundi, Mamani, Sisu, Ruamagaze, Mwienzi, Ngongwa-Busangi, Ibindo, Kurwirwi, Kyanayah, Katitu, Igombe River, Uyui Kigwa Ruruga, Uruma, Goweko, Nyahua Mbuga, Mpembabazi, Ugunda, Ngongwa, Kipembawe, Lupa North, Kalangali, Kyela, Bulongwa, Kipengere, Mpanga village, Bamba ridge and Image. National Park(s): Serengeti. Game Reserve: Maswa. Other Area: Ngorongoro Conservation Area.
179	Understanding the diet of the pancake Tortoise <i>Malacochersus tornieri</i>		United Kingdom	College of African Wildlife Management and Manchester Metropolitan University	National Park(s): Tarangire. Open Areas: Vilima Vitatu, Chemba (Kondoa).

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180	Quantifying the ecological impacts of Acacia reficiens invasion in Enduimet Wildlife Management Area	Michael Sixtus Moshia, Vedasto Ndibalema and Godfrey Soka	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA)	Enduimet Wildlife Management Area
181	Beta Diversity Analysis and Drivers of Variations in Stream Macroinvertebrates Altitudinal Assemblages on Mount Kilimanjaro, Tanzania	Izack Zakayo Igenge, Augustino Jacob, Gabriel Mayengo and Cyrus Rumisha	Tanzania	College of African Wildlife Management, Mweka	Kilimanjaro National Park
182	Invasion Paradox: Breeding behaviour, population genetics, movement ecology and socio-ecological impacts of Indian House Crows (<i>Corvus splendens</i>) in Tanzania	Ignas Mng'anya Safari	Tanzania	University of Dodoma	Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Dar es Salaam, Tanga, Coast Region, Morogoro, Dodoma, Kilimanjaro, Arusha, Manyara, Singida and Tabora Shinyanga and Mwanza regions.
183	Factors affecting Birds Abundance and Diversity in Mgeta Riverine Ecosystem: A conservation perspective	Glory Bakari	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA)	Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Mgeta village, Mvomero District, Morogoro region
184	Ecological drivers of bipedalism and arboreality in savanna-dwelling chimpanzees	Rhianna Charlotte Drummond-Clarke	United Kingdom	Max Planck Institute of Evolutionary Anthropology	Tongwe East Forest Reserve
185	Spatial-Temporal Assessment of Puku <i>Kobus Vardonii</i> Population at Kilombero Game Reserve, Tanzania	Maureen Daiffa	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture	Kilombero Game Reserve

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186	Assessment of population ecology of Gerenuk around Lake Natron, Tanzania	Beevans Biseko	Tanzania	Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA)	Lake Natron Game Controlled Area
187	Spatial Ecology and Landscape Genetics of Lion (<i>Panthera leo</i>) and African wild dog (<i>Lycaon pictus</i>) in the anthropogenic impacted protected areas in Southern Tanzania	Leonard John Haule	Tanzania	Nelson Mandela African Institute of Science and Technology (NM-AIST)	National Park(s): Nyerere. Game Reserve(s): Selous. Wildlife Management Area(s): Mbomipa, Juhiwangumwa, Mungata, and Magingo. Open areas (District, Ward, Village): Kilwa South, Kilwa North.
188	Status survey of African wild dog (<i>Lycaon pictus</i>) in the Ruaha-Katavi landscape, Tanzania	Msafiri Paul Mgumba	Tanzania	Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS).	National Park(s): Katavi, Ugalla River. Game Reserve(s): Rungwa, Kizigo, Muhezi, LukwatiPiti, Rukwa, Lwafi, Inyonga, Uwanda, Wembere and Mpanga Kipengere. Forest Reserve(s): Mlele and Itulu Hills. Wildlife Management Area (s): Ipole, Waga, MBOMIPA, Mpimbwe. Game Controlled Area(s): (Rungwa River, Mlele and Lunda Mkwambi). Joint Village Land Forest

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					Reserve(s): Mbabulo, Kululu East and West Open Area(s): Rungwa North, Rungwa South, Rungwa-Mzombe and Piti East, and all villages adjacent to above mentioned protected areas.
189	Exploring the influence of environmental stressors and movement pattern on chemical immobilization of selected wild carnivores and herbivores across the Serengeti ecosystem	Richard Joachim Samson, Modesta Makungu	Tanzania		Serengeti National Park
		Julius Keyyu	Tanzania	TAWIRI	
		Katja Koepfel	South Africa	University of Pretoria South Africa	
190	Adaptation to savannah habitats in the chimpanzees of Issa Valley, Tanzania	Harrison Ostridge	United Kingdom	University College London	Tongwe west Forest Reserve
191	Assessment of insect pollinators community across the land use types in Uzungwa Scarp Nature Forest Reserve	Ida Aloyce Mrema	Tanzania	The Nelson Mandela African Institution of Science and Technology (NM-AIST)	Forest Reserve: Uzungwa scarp nature forest reserve (USNFR) Open areas (Village): Chita, Kidete, Ikule, Makutano, Itongoa, Lufulu, Ching'anda and Udagaji."

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192	Communication and Coordination: Pre-travel behaviour in East African chimpanzees (<i>Pan troglodytes schweinfurthii</i>) in the Issa Valley, Tanzania".	Julia Giasson Whelan	United States of America	GEMRC	Study site: Tongwe West Forest Reserve (Currently known as Luganzo-Tongwe Game Reserve).
193	Mycophagy among Chimpanzees at the Issa Valley".	Theresa Alvera Schulze	German.	GEMRC	Study site: Tongwe West Forest Reserve (Currently known as Luganzo-Tongwe Game Reserve).
194	Plant and Bioacoustic Phenology in Issa Valley (Tanzania)".	Francisco Rivas, Ruth Bowers-Sword, and Nikhil Makkar	Francisco Rivas: Chile. Ruth Bowers-Sword: United States of America. Nikhil Makkar: India.	GEMRC	Study site: Issa Valley, Tongwe West Forest Reserve (Currently known as Luganzo-Tongwe Game Reserve).
195	The Investigation of Genetic Diversity and Relationships in African pygmy Chameleons (<i>Rhampholeon</i>) of the Rubeho Mountains, Tanzania	Amoni Ulime Jacob	Tanzania	University of Dar es Salaam	Forest Reserve(s): UKWIVA, MANG'ALISA, and ILOLE in the Rubeho Mountains

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196	Building ecological models for <i>Australopithecus afarensis</i> using comparative faunal community structure data from the Issa Valley	Maire Aghna Malone	United States of America	Arizona States University	Study area(s): Tongwe West Forest Reserve (Current known as Luganzo-Tongwe Game Reserve).
197	Mbhekeni Sifiso Lukhele, Matteo Sebastianelli, Alexander Kirshel and Chacha Werema "Continent-wide genomics of hybridisation and speciation	Mbhekeni Sifiso Lukhele Matteo Sebastianelli Alexander Kirshel	Eswatini Italy Britain.	University of Cyprus	Study sites: National Parks: Ruaha, Kitulo, Udzungwa, Burigi-Chato, Saadani, Kigosi and Ibanda-Rumanyika. Game Reserves: Moyowosi, Northern Kahama, Maswa, Grumeti, Ugalla River, Rungwa, and Mpanga Kipengere Forest Reserves: Minziro, Ruande, Sima, Buhundi FR, Mamani, Sisu, Ruamagaze, Mwienzi, Ngongwa-Busangi, Ibindo, Kurwirwi, Kyanayah, Katitulgombe River, Uyui Kigwa Ruruga, Uruma, Goweko, Nyahua Mbuga, Mpembabazi, Ugunda, Ngongwa, Kipembawe, Lupa North, Kalangali, Kyela,
		Chacha Werema	Tanzania.	University Of Dar es Salaam	

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198	Ecology and Interaction of Elephant in the Greater Kilimanjaro Landscape	Lameck Mkuburo, Athumani Mathayo	Tanzania	Tanzanian Elephant Foundation	Bulongwa, Kipengere Mpanga village FR, Bamba ridge, Image, East Usambara Mts.
		Edward Kohi		TAWIRI	National Parks: Arusha, Kilimanjaro and Mkomazi. Wildlife Management Area: Enduimet. Game Controlled Area(s): Longido and Lake Natron. Open areas: Longido, Arumeru, Meru, Siha, Rombo, Mwanga, Same, Lushoto, and Mkinga Districts.

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RESEARCH PRIORITY THEME – NATURAL RESOURCES GOVERNANCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT (NRG&ID)					
A): ON GOING RESEARCH PROJECTS					
199	Review of wildlife statutory instruments governing conservation'	Asanterabi Lowassa, Cecilia Leweri, John Bukombe, Stephen Nindi, Janemary Ntalwila, Denis Ikanda, Hillary Mushi, Hamza Kija, and Egedius Mweyunge	Tanzania	TAWIRI	Tanzania
200	How to promote the coexistence of wildlife and people in African savanna ecosystem	Yuhong Li	China	University of Groningen	National Park(s): Serengeti. Other: Ngorongoro Conservation Area
201	A History of Wildlife Buffer Zones' Governance in Tanzania: A Case of the South-Western Serengeti, ca. 1920s to 2010s.	James Kuboja Benedict	Tanzania	University of Dar es Salaam, College of Humanities.	National Park: Serengeti. Game Reserves: Maswa. Wildlife Management Area: Makao.



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