



#### ANIMAL WELFARE SITUATION IN TANZANIA



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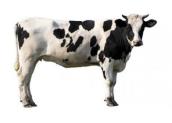
### PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- Livestock population in the Country
- General overview of Animal Welfare
- Challenges
- Mitigation
- Way forward









Cattle 37.9 mil



Pig 3.9 mil.



Goats 27.6 mil



Chicken 103.1 mil.



Sheep 9.4 mil.



Dogs 4 mil + 2 mil cats.





#### ANIMAL WELFARE ISSUES IN THE TANZANIA

- Animal welfare is a priority in Tanzania
- Is a section under the Veterinary Services combined with Zoo Sanitary;
- Several NGOs are in operation in Country advocating Animal Welfare issues in the country;
- There are still issues to be addressed;
- Tanzania is committed to Animal welfare issues





#### 1. CHALENGES IN TRANSPORT

Animal welfare consideration during Transport,







- Minimising journey time
- Use of competent personnel
- Detailed stocking density as per species
- Avoid extensive use of sticks by workers to keep the animals under control.



Poor means of transportation







# Poor means of Transportation cont...





#### 2. OTHER CHALLENGES



(i)Still the public has low awareness on issues of animal welfare,

(ii) Weak enforcement of Laws and Regulations,

(iii) Minimal investment in livestock (Pasture and water source for animals drinking),

(iv) Insufficient Veterinary Services,

(v)The Legislations on animal welfare do not cover wildlife and fish.



## 3.Negligent on Animal Health care



Reckless driving causes accidents to animas







#### STEPS TAKEN TO REDUCE CHALLENGES





#### 1. REGULATE HUMANE TREATMENT OF ANIMALS

- (i) The Animal Welfare Act, 2008 provide the guidance on all issues related to animal welfare,
- (ii) The Ministry closely collaborate with NGOs in advocating the agenda of animal welfare
- (iii) Supervise animal welfare issues and Zoo Sanitary inspections in all border posts (PPP)





- 81 border posts, check points na quarantine stations with 125 staff;
- Inspection of health of animals and safety of food of animal origin and animal feed transported;
- Observe Animal Welfare during transportation





#### STEPS CONT...

- Inspection of parent stock chicken farms, breeders chicken farms hatcheries, kennels and animal sanctuaries;
- Inspection of abattoir on their compliance to animal welfare;
- Public education on animal welfare
- Create awareness to the livestock keepers to sell animals and acquire the land and develop it to ensure availability of pasture and water throughout the year.





# Awareness to primary students





#### Awareness to the Extension workers

The extension workers provide limited animal health services to villages and wards.







## Livestock keepers investment in infrastructures











- i. Review of Animal Welfare Act, 2008 to include wildlife & aquatic animals,
- ii. Develop National Umbrella for Animal Welfare stakeholders,
- iii. Formulate strategic plans for animal Welfare activities,
- iv. Preparation of animal welfare guidelines in Tanzania





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