



Burra Team

De-Snaring Report for November, 2010

Participants

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Areas Patrolled

Mbulia
Ngutuni
Sagalla Ranch

Arrests

2 Arrest(s) this month

Illegal Activities

Illegal Activity	No. Incidents	Location	Percentage	Scale	Arrests
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	2	Sagalla	25.00%	Subsistence	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Ngutuni	12.50%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	3	Mbulia	37.50%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Medium Game	1	Sagalla	50.00%	Subsistence	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	2	Ngutuni	18.18%	Commercial	No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	3	Mbulia	23.08%		No



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Illegal Activities

Illegal Activity	No. Incidents	Location	Percentage	Scale	Arrests
Charcoal Burning , Charcoal Kiln	1	Ngutuni	20.00%	Subsistence	No

* 'Percentage' indicates the overall percentage occurrence (encountered by all de-snaring teams) of that particular illegal activity during the selected month.

Snares Collected

Snare Type	Snare Size	Snare Description	No. Confiscated
Thin Wire	Small	Line	7
Thin Wire	Small	Cluster	79
Medium Wire	Medium	Cluster	4
Cable	Large	Line	3
Cable	Large	Cluster	7

Total Snares Collected:	100
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Community Work

Target Group	Target Group Name	Activity	Location
School	Miasenyi Primary School	School Trip	Buchuma
School	Kirumbi Primary School	School Trip	Sagalla

Monthly Summary



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The team's operation started on the 18th of November as the Team was off duty from the 3rd of Nov - 18th of Nov. De-snaring was conducted at Sagalla ranch which is normally a poaching hotspot. Snaring and charcoal burning were the two major illegal activities taking place there. A poacher was found in possession of about 1kg of squirrels, a small hand held catapult, and seven big snares; he was booked at Voi police station.

While patrolling the Mbulia park boundary, the Team got information of the whereabouts of poacher's entry and exit routes which they investigated. The Team found many freshly laid snares and a Dikdik carcass as evidence to back this information. An ambush was organized and a poacher was arrested as he came to check on his snares. The poacher was arrested with being in possession of twenty seven snares targeting gazettes and a catapult. He was also booked at Voi police station.

When visiting Sagalla ranch, the team noted that poaching and charcoal burning activities which up until now have been high, seem to have decreased. It seems that persistent patrols and keeping up the pressure of patrols in the last six months has finally yielded positive results. There are no more active snares.

On the 2nd and 3rd day of November, the team organized two ecological field trips to Tsavo East National Park. The two school educational field trips were to Mwambiti primary school and Miasenyi primary school. The pupils saw herds of elephants, buffaloes and other antelopes. The primary objective of this project is to make this community an integral part of our conservation effort by sensitizing them to wildlife conservation. The pupils also visited the Voi Elephant orphanage where they got the opportunity to interact with the baby elephants and get an educational lecture from the elephant keepers.



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Students visit the Voi orphans during their School Trip



Students by the DSWT Bus as they go for their Trip



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A snared Dikdik carcass



An arrested poacher



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An arrested poacher showing his kill



A snare targeting big game



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Charcoal burning at Ngutuni Ranch



A Team member lifting snares

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