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**DE-SNARING REPORT
NOVEMBER 2011**

CHYULU TEAM



Chyulu Team

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Participants

Nterito	Kapina
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Daniel	Lelekoiten
Samuel	Lolchuraki
James	Mbuthia
Joshua	Muthoke
Moses	Simiyu
John	Wahome
Peter	Wambua
David	Wambua

Areas Patrolled

Aligon
Campi ya Faru
Chyulu National Park
Kenze
Kenzili
Kikunduku
Kisula
Kithasyo
Metava
Umani
Wayani

Arrests

6 Arrest(s) this month



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Illegal Activities - Number, Type and Description

Illegal Activities

Illegal Activity	No. Incidents	Location	Percentage	Scale	Arrests
Poaching , Snaring - Medium Game	1	Soto	33.33%	Subsistence	No
Poaching , Bird Trapping	1	Kithasyo	100.00%	Commercial	No
Logging , Dry Wood	1	Metava	100.00%	Subsistence	Yes
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	5	Umani	22.73%	Commercial	No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	1	Metava	4.55%	Commercial	No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	1	Kithasyo	4.55%	Commercial	No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	1	Kisula	4.55%	Commercial	No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	5	Kenzili	22.73%	Commercial	No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	5	Chyulu	22.73%	Commercial	No
Charcoal Burning , Charcoal Kiln	2	Metava	10.00%	Commercial	No
Charcoal Burning , Charcoal Kiln	1	Kisula	5.00%	Commercial	No

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



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Wildlife Carcasses - Number, Species, Cause of Death

No. Carcasses	Species	Cause of Death	Means of Death	Carcass Age
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Snares Collected

Snare Type	Snare Size	Snare Description	No. Confiscated
Thin Wire	Medium	Scattered	6

Total Snares Collected:	6
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Monthly Summary

The team was off for fifteen days as from 5th Nov to 20th Nov. 2011. Upon return the Team was based at Kenze for the rest of the month where they operated jointly with the Kenze team. Together they arrested 6 people of whom 4 were miraa harvesters, one a logger and an illegal cattle grazer. Kenzili and Metava are illegal activity hotspots. Fewer people were arrested than usual, most likely because many of the communities are busy in their farms, due to the fact the rainy season had set in. Heavy rains hindered some of the month's patrols.

On community conservation awareness, tree planting campaigns were conducted in schools surrounding the Kibwezi forest. 6 schools: Isaani, Kalakalya, Muusini, Usalama primary, Usalama secondary and Ndeini primary benefited with 110, 176, 148, 130, 100 and 400 respectively. Several staff and parents got involved and the Team gave them 158 seedlings in total in order for them to try and grow them on their own. Overall, the activity was received warmly with each of the beneficiaries committing to give as much possible care for the donated trees. During the donation activity the team engaged the pupil's in brief interactive sessions whereby the value of trees in the ecosystem were highlighted and emphasized.

In addition, two schools namely Kwambae primary and Muusini primary visited the Tsavo West National Park, courtesy of the DSWT. A few team members accompanied the students on their trip and gave them information about the Park, its natural resources, the wildlife and how all this relates to the communities around the Park. The students couldn't hide their joy and excitement and at the end of their tour it was clear they had learnt a lot. Proving there is need for more such arrangements since they provide opportunity for the youth of Kenya to get exposure which opens their minds to conservation and their role in the environment, leading to better decision making as adults.

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Isaani Primary School tree planting



Kwambae pupils at Mzima springs



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Muusini pupils at shetani lava



Bird trap found at atKithasyo area



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The Team checks for any signs of tampering on the new fence line



Charcoal Kiln at Metava area



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Illegal livestock grazing



Illegal logging



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The Kibwezi Forest fence line



Miraa harvesters arrested

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