

ANIMAL WELFARE IN ETHIOPIA

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ETHIOPIA ANIMAL POTENTIAL

CSA 2020/21

- 70 million Cattle
- 42.9 million³ Sheep
- 52.5 million Goats
- 10.80 million donkeys,
- 0.38 million mules,
- 8.1 million camels
- 48.96 million Poultry
- 6.96 million Bee hives
- 2.15 million horses,
- Scarce data on Dogs and Cats population
- Wildlife.....



Welfare Science:

“do animals have what they **want/need**” - Dawkins

Ethics:

How we **should/do treat** animals

Legislation:

Creation & Enforcement of what we **MUST do** - best practice standards



Improvements in Welfare – covers....



RECENT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED



- 🌀 Implementing the animal **welfare strategy** (2017-2022) prepared in collaboration with IGAD/ICPALD and neighboring East African countries,
- 🌀 **Digital and print documents** to promote and demonstrate animal welfare at different levels have been prepared in collaboration with partner organizations and distributed in the regions.
- 🌀 For meeting international animal welfare standards, experts have been assigned to coordinate animal welfare work in all regions of the country.

ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED....



- It has been possible to organize annual and timely animal welfare advocacy forums (**WAD**) for consecutive years.
- The **National Animal Welfare Working Group**, which was established to coordinate the animal welfare and protection activities in the country,
- In the draft animal health and safety **legal framework**, animal safety, protection and control activities have been included in appropriate conditions, and it has been possible to prepare a draft regulation with a regulatory nature of animal welfare.
- 10 year MoA/EAA policy review
- Education and advocacy (higher institutions and secondary schools)

**ETHIOPIAN NATIONAL ANIMAL WELFARE
WORKING GROUP**

(ENAWWG)

PURPOSE OF ETHIOPIAN NATIONAL AWWG

- 1 Establish an active network of different actors to share and disseminate lessons and best practices on animal health and welfare issues;**
- 2 Provide guidance and support in the development of legal and policy frameworks on animal health and welfare and recommend improvement areas on existing legal documents for policy makers;**
- 3 Advice and support the Ministry to implement OIE Animal Welfare standards; and**
- 4 Undertake evidence generation initiatives on selected animal welfare topics as deemed necessary.**

MEMBERS OF ETHIOPIAN NAWWG

Total 17

- Governmental organizations
- NGOs
- Research institute
- Private sector


EAA



SUCCESSSES



WAY FORWARD

- 😊 Expand the current ENAWWG to regions
 - 😊 Link developments with one health and one welfare programs
 - 😊 Institutionalize animal welfare along the regions
 - 😊 Strengthen capacities for animal welfare (training and capacity building) for regional and national experts
 - 😊 Develop national communication strategy on animal welfare
 - 😊 Drive for ratification of legal documents
 - 😊 Widespread production of animal welfare communication materials
 - 😊 Be active member of supporting Global/national animal disease control campaigns
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