## Project Update: August 2018

## 1. Background

The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> reports of the project were generated and it covered accomplishment Activity 1 (A1), 2 (2A), 3 (3A) and 4 (4A). All the stipulated activities (1-3) were conducted in line with the project application proposal. Furthermore, the second activity 2 (2A) and third activity 3 (3A) was mainly about to promote the application of *D. caffra* as deterrence mechanism to reduce domestic animal predation and crop raiding.

Up to the time of this review the sum of \$6393.9 has already been spent for inception, educating villagers, buying the equipment for seeds nursery rearing and monitoring the nurseries of *Dovyalis caffra*. Two nurseries centre with more than 24,000 seedlings were established in two different villages namely Irkaswa and Lerang'wa and the seedlings now have been transferred to farmyards and Maasai bomas to shelter the animals and crops from raiding and predation as well. The cumulative budget that is already spent is as shown in Appendix I.

## 2. Current Project Output

During the 4<sup>th</sup> report the nursery seedlings were distributed to farmers and animal keepers so as they were instructed on how to plant them successful so as to reduce crop raiding and domestic animal invasion in bomas as shown in the pictures below. Sixty-nine households were selected based on the criteria such as vulnerability to the crop raiding, animal's predation and female led households so as to boost their livelihood and encourage women in crop production and improving the food security.

## 3. Way forward

• To finalise the final report before November 2018.



**Picture 1:** Seedlings planting along the boundary of the farmyard to prevent the crop raiding (Picture by: Wilson FM)



**Picture 2:** Seedlings planting at Irkaswa farmyard. © Wilson Maanga.



Picture 4: Seedlings surrounding the Maasai Boma. ©Wilson Maanga.



**Picture 5**: Showing seedlings planted along the Maasai Boma wooded wall. ©Wilson Maanga).