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In January, February and March 2009 the Mobile Education Unit Program of Wildlife Clubs of Kenya reached 57 schools and 11,351 youths in remote areas of Eastern region. The children and communities learnt through watching conservation films, discussions, publications issued, and conservation activities initiation. With 70% of Kenyan wildlife living outside protected areas the theme 'Living with wildlife' was emphasized. Use of chilli pepper to scare elephants, making bird feeders, and creating wildlife habitats were the key activities. In Wajee Nature Park, near Mt Kenya, the focus was saving the Kenyan endemic Hinde's babbler *Turdoides hindei*. Only 6 members of this species are found here. Over 100 farmers around this nature park are now involved the bird habitat protection which include private farms. Nearly 10,000 indigenous seedlings at the Wajee tree nursery will be used to restore the degraded Karumbu forest.

