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ANIMALS, ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTANABLE DEVELOPMENT IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY  
AFRICA: AN INTERLINKED APPROACH

LINKING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS AND ANIMAL WELFARE: REGIONAL  
PERSPECTIVES .....EAST AFRICAN PERSPECTIVE.

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# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS





# ANIMAL WELFARE

**The greatness of a nation can  
be judged by the way its  
animals are treated.**

Mahatma Gandhi



## CONT'

- **ANIMAL WELFARE ENCOMPASSES**
  - ✓ ANIMAL CARE,
  - ✓ ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND
  - ✓ HUMANE TREATMENT
- AND **PROTECTING ANIMAL WELFARE** IS PROVIDING FOR PHYSICAL AND MENTAL NEEDS.
- **ANIMAL RIGHTS:** 'ANIMAL ARE NOT OURS TO USE FOR CLOTHING, ENTERTAINMENT OR EXPERIMENTATION'. ANIMAL WELFARE ALLOWS THESE USES AS LONG AS HUMAN GUIDELINES ARE FOLLOWED.



## CONT'

- ANIMAL WELFARE IS THE HEART OF SUSTAINABILITY OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

YET

- THERE IS VERY LITTLE RECOGNITION OF THE RELATIONSHIP AND CRUCIAL ROLE PLAYED BY ANIMAL WELFARE IN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT.



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- INCLUSION OF ANIMAL WELFARE INTO ANIMAL HEALTH TRAINING CURRICULUM



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# ANIMAL WELFARE INITIATIVES IN THE EAST AFRICAN REGION

- ADOPTION OF ONE HEALTH APPROACH IN ORDER TO ATTAIN OPTIMAL HEALTH FOR PEOPLE, ANIMALS AND ENVIRONMENT.





- **ADVOCACY AND AWARENESS CREATION IN ANIMAL WELFARE:**

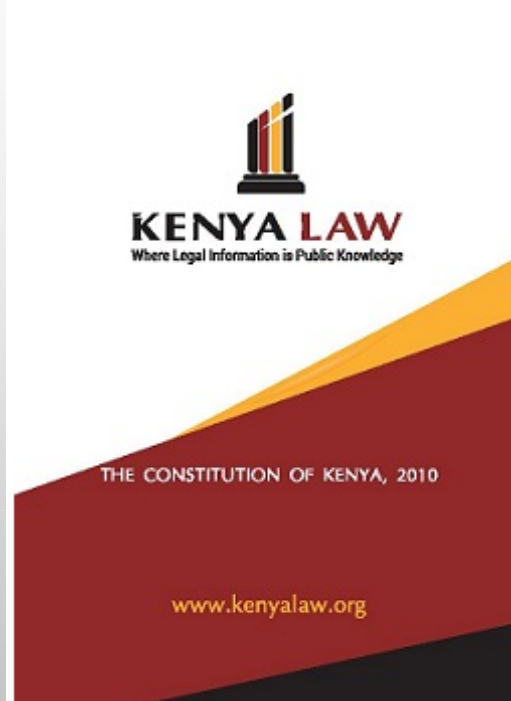
- ✓ VETERINARY CARE
- ✓ DEVELOPMENT OF  
POLICIES AND LEGAL  
FRAMEWORK.





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- **STATUTES ON ANIMAL WELFARE**



- CHAPTER 5: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF BIODIVERSITY;
- THIRD SCHEDULE: RESPONSIBILITIES OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT IN PROVISION OF ANIMAL WELFARE



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- **PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS CAP 360**



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- **VETERINARY SURGEONS AND VETERINARY PARAPROFESSIONALS ACT**



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# BENEFITS OF PROMOTING ANIMAL WELFARE

- INCREASE PRODUCTION OF ANIMALS  
AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS.





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- ENHANCED TRADE OPPORTUNITIES IN ANIMALS
- ENHANCED ANIMAL HEALTH.
- IMPROVED LIVESTOCK LIVELIHOODS.



# PROPOSED WAY FORWARD ON PROMOTION OF ANIMAL WELFARE

- ANIMAL WELFARE AND HUMAN - ANIMAL RELATIONSHIP SHOULD BE MAINSTREAMED WITH DEVELOPMENT POLICIES.
- STRENGTHENING OF ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS RELATING TO ANIMAL WELFARE LAWS.
- CONTINUOUS COMMUNICATION AND AWARENESS CREATION IN ANIMAL WELFARE ISSUES.



**Thank You!**