

SIMPLE WAYS TO MANAGE HUMAN AND LION CONFLICTS



HUMAN MANAGEMENT

Humans need to be managed because without a non-lethal way to prevent lion attacks, the pastoralists often turn to deadly force, shooting or poisoning the lions in retaliation leading to lion populations dwindling. The lack of non-lethal methods to prevent lion attacks on livestock prompts pastoralists to resort to poisoning and trapping lions in retaliation thus plummeting lion population;

Humans should be managed by;

1. Strengthening community awareness
2. Investing in compensation initiatives
3. Investing in legal compensation initiatives

LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT

Predation on livestock is to some extent preventable with measures that prevent predators from forming the habits of killing livestock. Livestock predation is preventable through breaking the thread of lion habits leading to killing of livestock.

Such measures include;

1. Keeping livestock together through erecting reasonable enclosures
2. Intensifying human vigilance at peak predation hours
3. Use of dogs as guards to alert about lion presence
4. Good grazing and herd management practices



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