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CHEPs 128TH EYE CAMP

MAASAI MARA, NAROK COUNTY

28TH TO 30TH NOVEMBER 2022



Acknowledgement

We are grateful to Beta Charitable Trust for sponsoring this camp. The support went a long way in providing much needed ophthalmic services to over 1600 men, women and children of Narok County, thereby treating and restoring their vision and empowering them. We look forward to more collaboration in future.

Introduction

Centres for Health and Education Programmes (CHEPs) is a registered Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) in Kenya. Our goal is to empower, promote access and improve quality of health and education for the benefit of under resourced individuals and communities.

It is alarming that 282 million people worldwide have abnormal vision and 14% of these are completely blind. Also of concern is the fact that 90% of visually impaired people live in low-income settings. CHEPs is on a mission to prevent, improve or restore the eyesight of people in remote, marginalised and needy communities. CHEPs identifies the beneficiaries through its presence and wide network among these communities. CHEPs eye camps are organised in collaboration with local communities, leaders, hospitals and health workers. During the eye camps, beneficiaries are screened and provided advice and treatment for a variety of eye conditions. Spectacles are provided for refractive errors to improve their vision. Surgeries are conducted to restore vision among those blind due to cataract.

CHEPs has already conducted 128 eye camps among impoverished communities across Kenya providing services to over 54,006 needy people. Over 38,896 have been provided with various eye medications and over 15,346 supplied with spectacles. Over 7,090 surgeries have been performed restoring vision to the cataract blind

The 128th eye camp was held in Masai Mara at 2 different sites which are 50km apart, namely Sekanani and Oololaimutia, which are located 250km from Nairobi and a few kilometres from Kenya's border with Tanzania. The county is with an estimated population of 1,157,873 according to 2019 Census, with the dominant ethnic group being the Maasai. It is situated in south-west Kenya and is **one of Africa's Greatest Wildlife Reserves**. Together with the **Serengeti National Park** in Tanzania it forms Africa's most diverse, incredible and most spectacular eco-systems and possibly the world's top safari big game viewing eco-system. Maasai Mara National Reserve stretches 1,510 sq km (580 sq miles) and raises 1,500-2,170 meters above sea level.

The eye camp.



Map showing Narok County in Kenya

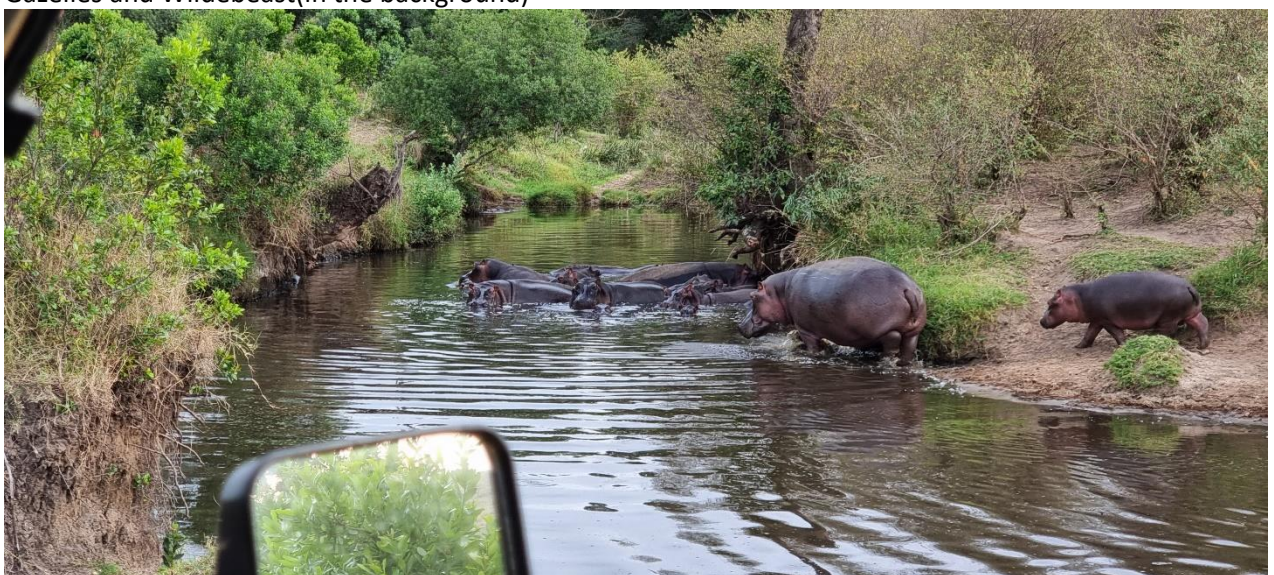
Some of the wildlife animals spotted during the camp



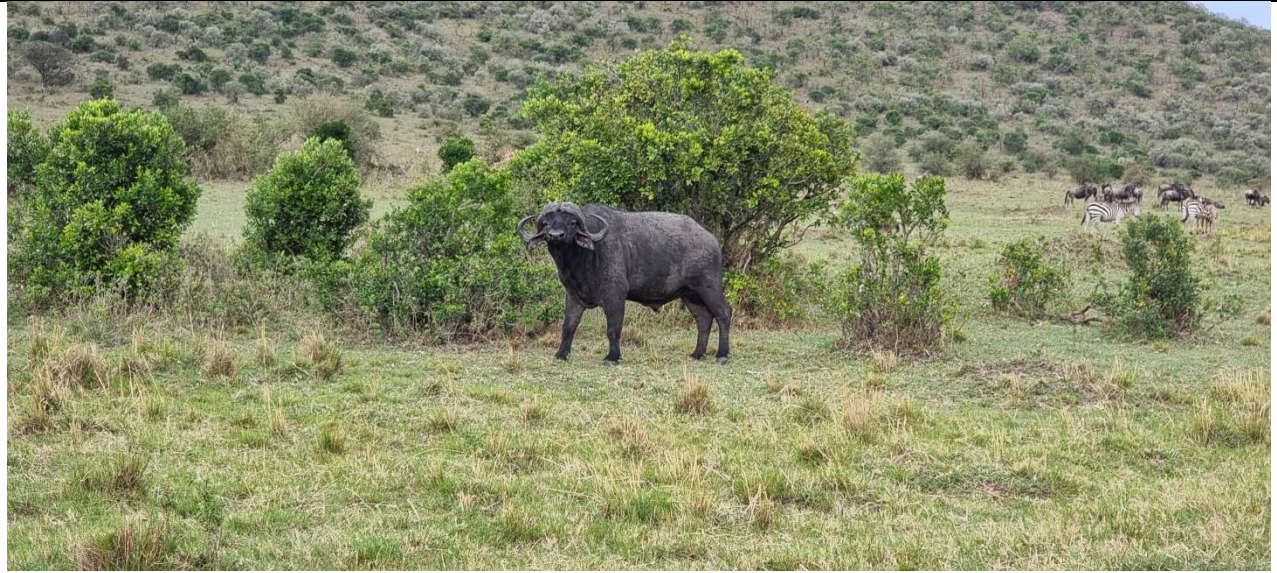
Elephants



Gazelles and Wildebeest(in the background)



Hippopotamus



Buffalo



Giraffe



Zebras

Patients waiting to be attended to





Screening in progress





Operations in progress





Operated patients













Patients receiving food package



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