



BAM ANIMAL CLINICS

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To

The District Veterinary officer Iganga.

Dear Sir

RE: BAM ANIMAL CLINICS MAY/2017 WORKSHOP REPORT

As partners and colleagues in the veterinary services in Uganda and Iganga in particular , we would like first of all thank you for championing the need to promote animals welfare in the region . Your guidance and participation is likely to yield much better results for the betterment of the farming communities and the animals.

On May 1st - 8th 2017, Bam animal clinics in conjunction with the wtg Vets United , a Germany based animal welfare/health charity organization conducted a training workshop for animal welfare/health practitioners.

The training was carried out at Sana country hotel in Busei Iganga , we had 30 participants, 2 German facilitators Headed by Dr Ruprecht Herbst and Dr Montarg Christine , and 1 co-facilitator from your office Mr Kagoda Samuel . The participants were obtained from 5 districts of Iganga , Mayuge , Bugiri , Namutumba and Jinja and the names were submitted by their respective District Veterinary officers, they included Veterinary surgeons , Para vets and University/ College veterinary students.

Objectives:

- i) To continue imparting theoretical and practical knowledge and skills to animal welfare practitioners in the fields of animal welfare and animal health.
- ii) To strengthen and promote a strong partnership force/platform within and outside to animal lovers to join hands to address animal welfare practices.
- iii) To liaise with stakeholders at all levels to promote strong laws /policies and or byelaws that will address animal welfare and health concerns.

2) Discussions and training activities

The workshop involved both theoretical and practical approaches and covered the following topics:

- General clinical examinations
- Bacterial Diseases
- Antibiotics

- Viral Diseases
- Vaccinations including Rabies
- Emergencies
- Anesthesia
- Castrations / Castration clinic.

We had 15 cattle on site, 6 Goats and later 60 dogs plus 5 cats. All these animals were mobilized from around Iganga town and the sub county of Nakalama. We did on site clinical examinations and free treatments were preferred for those found with any ailments. We had an outreach day off to Namutumba District at a place called Kilanga p/sc Kibaale sub county and the team attended to 314 cattle on site mobilized by one of our participants there, also available were 11 dogs and 2 cats. The team carried out clinical diagnoses and offered free treatments to sick animals and also sprayed against ticks.

3) Follow-up action plan

- i) There is need to organize more training programs to have enough skilled personnel to manage animal welfare /health practices in the region.
- ii) Bam animal clinics together with the trainees to strengthen animals welfare management practices.
- iv) Bam animal clinics through this training its a yardstick to start propelling its strategies to have as a training center in animal welfare /health in the r
- v) region.
- vi) The 30 trainees will act as focal point to Bam animal clinics broad base awareness creation centers.

4) Special thanks is extended to:

- Wtg/Vets United for modeling Bam animal clinics and for sponsoring the whole training program from phase I to phase ii.
- The same vote of thanks is extended to the ministry of Agriculture Animal Industry and Fisheries Entebbe through its Chief Veterinary Officer/the Commissioner Dr Wensonga for back stopping Bam Animal Clinics with the recommendation letter and spot in technical guidance to the program.
- Districts stake holders of Namutumba, Jinja,Bugiri and Iganga for the willingness to accomodate the WTG/Vets united program and also for allowing in the trainees to undergo the 8 days training workshop.
- The facilitator Dr.Kagoda for proper back stopping the whole training together with our external facilitators Dr.Ruprecht and Dr Christine Montag.
- The workshop trainees for giving in their time and being very good participants.
- The farmers who allowed in their animals/pets for the 8 days at the site for demonstration anytime there was need to conduct practicals.

7) Appendix:

- ❖ Workshop timetable.

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