VSF-Suisse interventions in anticipatory actions

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VSF-Suisse in 1 word

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Ensure Human health
Support Animal health
Promote A healthy environment

One Health

Mali
Ivory Coast
Togo
South Sudan
Somalia
Ethiopia
Kenya
THE 5 FUNCTIONS OF LIVESTOCK FARMING

**Food**
- self-consumption of livestock products
- sale of livestock products in local markets

**Economic**
- source of income throughout the year
- purchase of staple food (rice)
- available resources (wallet on legs)

**Savings, resilience**
- mobile and multi-species herd
- access to credit thanks to livestock (used as a guarantee)

**Agricultural, environmental**
- labour force for transportation and field work
- manure to enrich the soil and produce biogas
- upgraded ecosystems

**Sociocultural**
- social identity and human dignity
- gender equality (ownership of animals, control of activities and benefits)
- network (via exchange, bartering, gifts)
- social status (ceremonies and respect of socio-cultural obligations)
• Rapid-onset emergencies (flood, tsunami)
• Slow – onset emergencies (drought)
• Complex and chronic emergencies
OUR ANTICIPATORY ACTIONS IN LIVESTOCK

- Active participation in Food security cluster in South Sudan
- Diseases monitoring system in Kenya and Togo
- Pastoral monitoring system
OUR ANTICIPATORY ACTIONS IN LIVESTOCK

• **Active participation in FSC in South Sudan**
  
  o Development and contextualization of guidelines and standards for livestock interventions
  o Early assessments of pastoral situation
  o Livestock need assessments
  o Actor in humanitarian response
OUR ANTICIPATORY ACTIONS IN LIVESTOCK

• Diseases monitoring system in Kenya and Togo

  - Development and implementation of a web-based reporting tool for animal disease surveillance in Kenya (EAJS_Livestock-disease-surveillance-through-the-use-of-Smart-Phone-Application-in-Isiolo-County-Kenya.pdf (vsf-suisse.org))
  - Development and implementation of web-based survey tool for animal disease surveillance in Togo
OUR ANTICIPATORY ACTIONS IN LIVESTOCK

• Pastoral monitoring system
  o A proactive tool developed by civil society for the monitoring of pastoral situation
  o Monthly newsletter with alerts on pastoral situation, critical events, COVID-19 impact on household
  o Alert public authorities in real time
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