

# Status of Current Field Activities & Research Sites

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# Kenya



# The first field trip by the team

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📄 Visit to Garissa by the (Emory, ILRI, Pwani team) in Feb. '11

📄 Several meetings

- Govt. departments (livestock production, veterinary services)
- Government affiliated organizations (District Livestock Marketing Council)
- International NGOs (CARE International)
- Drylands Program (F. Chabari)

# First field trip (cont'ed)

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## Field visits

- Rural water sources
- Interviews with pastoralist communities
- Deep into the drought season

# The search for water

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# The search (cont'ed)



# Last drops in Tana River District



# The second field trip

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## Herders (group discussions)

- A riverine community
- A roadside (semi-nomadic) community
- Herder concerns - water/pasture (drought)

## Livestock traders

- Key informant interviews
- Trader concerns – county council fees, vet (6 to 6 rule)



# Research Site

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- 📄 Garissa – largest cattle market in the region
- 📄 Tana River – source of camels and land of last resort?