

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Selous Game Reserve has faced several challenges among them poaching of Elephants which led to a decision to put it in danger. The State Party through Antipoaching Strategy which was commenced to be implemented on 30th October 2014 has registered some progresses including, establishment of Wild life Conservation Busket Fund, employed a total number of 420 staff between August and December 2014, four patrol vehicles were acquired and a commitment by German Government of 24 million Euros for conservation of Wildlife in Serengeti and Selous ecosystem. A team to operationalise TAWA was established and has worked tirelessly to see to it that TAWA gets fully underway by 1st July 2015. Launching a Selous Emergency Elephant Protection Fund (SEEPF) through which, the SGR has acquired emergency funds for procuring urgently needed antipoaching gears including uniforms, GPS, tents; all together amounting to USD 400,000.00; Seeking and acquiring a USD 230,000.00 funding from the US Embassy for procuring 550 tents, 550 sleeping bags, 550 sleeping mats and 110 binoculars for antipoaching patrols. These items are under procuring process.