

# NEWS BULLETIN

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## **AFRICA**

KENYA can best mitigate the devastating effects of recurrent drought by strengthening the livestock sector so that it becomes a viable money-based economy, and improving pastoral food and water security, say aid officials.

SUDAN - In the southern region of Sudan, where a vote is expected to create the world's newest independent country, leaders are appealing to international investors to provide \$140 million to care for wildlife parks ravaged by years of conflict. South Sudan sees the world's second largest migration of animals such as gazelles, elephants and antelopes. Authorities hope revived parks will help protect the animals and bring in tourists to bolster the economy.

UGANDA - Male circumcision can reduce by about 25% a woman's risk of contracting the viruses that lead to genital warts and cervical cancer, according to a Johns Hopkins University study of 1,200 heterosexual couples in Uganda. In addition to reducing human papillomaviruses, circumcision already has been shown to decrease a man's risk of contracting the HIV virus that causes AIDS.

## **ASIA & PACIFIC**

SRI LANKA - Over 1.1 million people affected by floods in Sri Lanka are getting assistance from humanitarian aid agencies in the country.

## **MIDDLE EAST**

OPT - Evictions and house demolitions are a growing humanitarian concern for Palestinians living in East Jerusalem, says the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA).

## **LATIN AMERICA & CARIBBEAN**

HAITI - Human rights groups are urging Haitian authorities to seize the opportunity of former dictator Jean-Claude Duvalier's surprise return to the country Sunday to prosecute him for the atrocities committed during his 15-year reign.

PERU - Indigenous children under five in Peru's highlands regions still bear the brunt of chronic malnutrition, even though local authorities in those areas received millions of dollars worth of taxes between 2006 and 2010 from the mining companies operating there.

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