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Report on African Swine Fever in Africa
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Introduction

- African swine fever (ASF) is one of the most dreaded epizootic diseases of pigs in Africa with devastating effects on pig production.
- Its highly contagious nature, the ability and the variety of means to spread over long distances makes it a disease that threatens the pig industry globally.
- Unlike most diseases of livestock, there is no vaccine and specific treatment.
- Prevention, control and eradication of ASF is complex and difficult in most of the African countries.
Epidemiological situation in Africa

- Remains one of the most important TADs in Africa
- Among the priority listed diseases in all sub-Saharan region,
- ASF is considered a TAD of public interest,
- High socio-economic impact
- In 2011, ASF continues widely spreading across Africa
Epidemiological Situation...

- ASF status in 2011
- 22 affected countries in 4 regions (East, Central, Southern and Western regions)
- Endemics in most of the affected countries

Source: AU-IBAR Pan African Animal Health Yearbook, 2011
Epidemiological Situation…

Evolution of ASF in Africa (2007-2011) Source AU-IBAR data management

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Activities Undertaken

• Joint AU-IBAR/FAO Regional Technical Workshop on ASF Control in June 2011, N’Djamena, CHAD as a result of the upsurge of ASF case in the continent

• Workshop on African swine fever Diagnostics, Surveillance, Epidemiology and Control for the identification of researchable Issues Targeted to the Endemic Areas within sub-Saharan Africa

• Joint AU-IBAR/FAO/ILRI drafted ASF Control Strategy with Key components for project formulation being reviewed
Upcoming Activities

• Regional workshop on ASF for EA region and possibility for west African region
• Finalization of the developed ASF control strategy
• Formulation of regional projects and identification of sources of funding
• Continued support to capacity building for surveillance, diagnosis, communication and containment in African Countries
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