



KENYA STATEMENT AT THE THIRD SESSION OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE OF LIVESTOCK AT FAO HEADQUARTERS, ROME -3RD TO 5TH MARCH 2026.

Mr. Chair,

Distinguished Delegates

Kenya aligns with the African Group's statement and welcomes the progress made by FAO in developing the Global Plan for Sustainable Livestock Transformation (GPA). For us, livestock is vital to our rural economy, providing food, income, and resilience, especially in arid regions where it is often the only source of a viable livelihood.

We acknowledge the significant role of Terrestrial Animal Source Foods (TASF) in addressing malnutrition and economic growth, particularly for women, who are the primary caregivers of livestock. However, we face challenges such as zoonotic diseases and climate change, which disproportionately affect our pastoralists, who contribute little to global emissions.

Kenya supports the Global Plan as it aligns with our national realities and acknowledges diverse production systems. While we seek to increase productivity to meet growing protein demands, we must ensure we do not degrade natural resources.

This Plan aligns with our commitment to the One Health approach, climate-smart agriculture, and improving the value of livestock products. Transformation is essential, and by endorsing this Global Plan, we embrace a coordinated approach that balances productivity, emissions, and long-term environmental health.

We urge all delegations to support this plan, ensuring livestock remains a source of prosperity and resilience for our communities now and into the future.

I Thank you Chair.