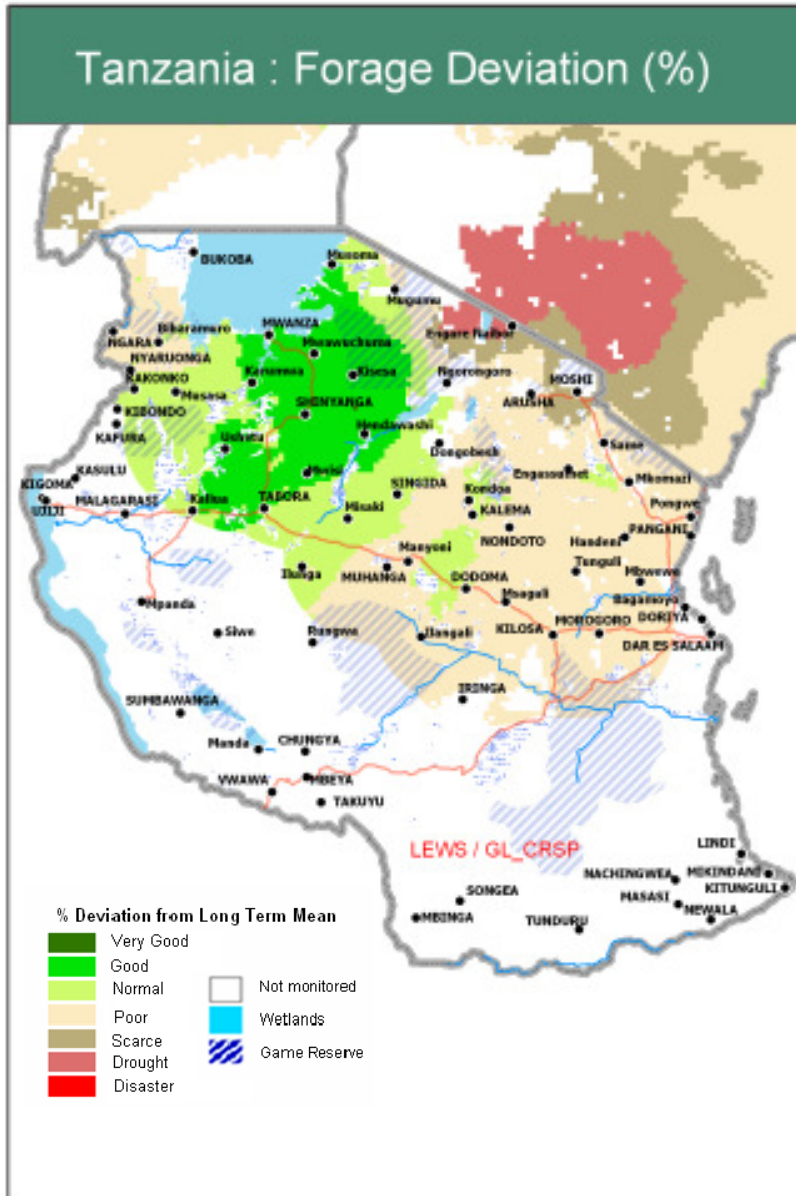


## Tanzania Situation Report - February 2009



### Status

Most pastoral parts of Tanzania exhibited poor to below normal forage conditions. The Northern Zone Tanzania all along Kenyan border extending from Same district all along to Mara region had a poor forage status with more signified scarce pockets in Ngorongoro district and drought pockets in areas surrounding Engare Naibor. The north-western zone continued to register normal forage condition. However areas surrounding, Biharamulo, Ngara and Kasulu districts continued to register poor forage status. The central pastoral Zone of Tanzania notably, Manyoni, Babati and Mpwapwa exhibited poor forage status. More intensified scarce forage pockets were more pronounced in Kiteto, Mvomero, Handeni North of Kilosa and Kongwa districts. Overall animal body conditions has been good in most pastoral areas.

### Trend

The LEWS forage forecast for next 60-day shows that most pastoral area of Tanzania will register below normal to poor forage condition. The Northern Tanzania bordering Kenya and to the particular Ngorongoro district will experience inadequate and more pronounced scarce pockets of forage.

### Livestock markets

Cattle prices in most upcountry markets continued to register price decrease trend across classes and grades. Dar es Saalam (Pugu Market) cattle delivery recorded a daily yarding of 450 cattle per market day as compared to 460 cattle recorded in January. Mature Male Grade 2 was sold at a market price of TZS 514,000 a slight price margin compared to TZS 516,000 January prices. Mature Female Grade 3 was sold at market price of TZS 225,000 against TZS 214,500 surfaced in January (slight increase by 4.8%). Cattle market price declining trend is a result of the ongoing food insecurity resulting from a limited supply of staples from producing areas. Prices of staples are above average and climbing. Pastoralists are compelled to sell more animals at lower market prices to ensure stable house hold food reserve.

Dar es Salaam Mature Cattle Market Prices

