

IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS, THE University has embarked on various corporate social responsibility activities. In 2006, for instance, the University took part in the efforts to curb famine that engulfed most parts of the country. Through efforts led by the Chancellor, Dr. Joseph B. Wanjui, members of staff and students donated foodstuff worth 4.3 million to Mwingi, Kajiado and Mandera Districts. The exercise of distributing the food stuff was conducted by students, and members of staff.

The College of Agriculture and Veterinary Sciences, has been consistent in holding an annual tree planting ceremony, at the College's expansive farm at Kabete, and at the Ngong Field station. The College is also involved in an annual exhibition that brings together professionals, agrovet businesses and farmers. The exhibition is a platform to share the latest trends in scholarship, business and farming.

The College of Health Sciences, holds routine medical clinics with students of the School of Medicine taking charge, while the School of Dental Sciences runs a free dental clinic for 10 customers on a daily basis. The most recent activities that caught the eye of many was the reconstruction surgery carried out on 50-year old Ms. Ndusya Kilonzo to treat a massive growth in the mandible measuring 16 cm by 14cms.

The College of Biological and Physical Sciences donated food, clothing and a 5,000 litre water tank to Kajiado children's home.

Student organizations also carried out several activities including: clean up campaigns organized by AISEC (UoN chapter); WOSWA in partnership with other stakeholders distributed food and other basics to victims of the post election chaos of 2007; a

Giving back to society

joint eradication of jiggers in the country with a focus on young people in Kandara Division in Muranga District, a region that has of late featured in the news prominently as one of the regions with a high jigger infestation.

In ensuring that students from under privileged families do not drop out of University due to lack of fees, management created a Needy Students Fund worth five million. The fund is administered by the Special Students Advisor, Prof. Godfrey Muriuki. This

effort has been cascaded to colleges with each college contributing Kshs One million towards this purpose. Further, the student organizations led by Students Organization of Nairobi University (SONU 98) set up a student scholarship fund worth Kshs 3 million to assist needy students. The Alumni Association on its part has also set up a scholarship fund worth Kshs 5 million with plans to create an endowment fund to address this problem permanently.



Students in a jigger elimination campaign in Kandara District, Central Province. Inset: Prof. Godfrey Muriuki, Special Students Advisor.