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In December 2009, eight sensitisation meetings were held in 10 villages bordering Nyika National Park. The main aim was to lobby and advocate the importance of joining hands in fighting against the occurrence and spread of invasive alien plant species in Nyika National Park which have serious negative impacts on wildlife and flora which are engines for socio-economic development in the country through eco-tourism and provision of medicinal plant and animal products. One of the achievements of meetings was that 30 local communities, including five park personnel (24 men and 11 women) volunteered to take part in the study eradication of invasive species. These communities were thereafter trained on how best they can effectively remove invasive plant species from all colonised areas in the park.

