## **Project Update April 2024**

I would like to share a few pictures of our first project activity which included initial site visit and farms selection and introducing the project to local leaders and securing project permits.



1. Traditional fence Contemporary traditional fences made of thorns and live shrub like plants used by Community to protect their crops such as maize from Elephants.



2. Crops raiding
The photograph depicts the aftermath of crop damage resulting from elephants raiding farms. It clearly demonstrates the impact of such incidents, occurring while the community was attempting to chase the elephants away. This serves as evidence that the mere presence of elephants in agricultural areas is sufficient to cause significant damage.



3. A family of Savannah African Elephants, taken about 30 km from Naitolia village during the beginning of the short dry season of the year 2024.





4. Elephant presence indicators, tracks and dung were carefully used as an identification symbol during scanning of the project site so as to identify areas with high frequency of elephant visitations. Subsequently, these coordinates will be utilized to generate a map pinpointing zones of heightened elephant activity.