

## Increasing Veterinary Drugs Prices, a Dangerous Signs for Increasing Hunger in the Developing Continent

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Egypt in 2018, a poultry farm owner complained that he found almost all the birds in his farm dead. Although he gave them the Vaccines essential for Newcastle disease and the Gumboro, so what has happened?

After investigation, it was found that the owners bought their needs of drugs from unknown source with very low prices to reduce their costs. Those drugs were found that they were cheated drugs.

This is just an example of what happens in Africa, the developing continent, and according to world vision organization, In Africa, hunger is increasing at an alarming rate. The COVID-19 pandemic, conflict, drought, economic woes, and extreme weather are reversing years of progress. As of 2019, 234 million sub-Saharan Africans were chronically undernourished, more than in any other region. In the whole of Africa, 250 million people were experiencing hunger, which is nearly 20% of the population.

We all know that increasing effective drug prices, beside increasing the animal feed prices, will lead to more price load on people which depend on animals in their food and living and it will also make may to cheated drugs to appear more and more and therefore the losses of animals will increase and prices will go up more and more.

So, what can we do towards that?

I think it's our duty to increase awareness among the animal owners about the effective drugs and most common diseases in their area, so we can fight the growing hunger phenomenon. Also, African leaders have a role in encouraging the local drug manufacturers to produce more effective drugs with reasonable prices. And finally, I wish one day we can eliminate hunger from all our world countries.

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