

Donkey butchers informal draft interview guide

1. How long has there been a market for donkey meat in Kumasi from Navrongo?

- How long has there been a market for the donkey hides? The skin, sorry.
- How long approximately has there been interest in the skins by foreigners?

2. When did the Chinese arrive? What year?

- And was there a market for the skins before the Chinese arrived?
- Does he have a contract with the Chinese for the skins?
- Our key informant mentioned the other evening knowing a gentleman with a contract with the Chinese. Is there only one contract with the Chinese does he know, or is there more than one contract?

3. And what's happened to the price of donkeys since 2015?

Probe: Has the price of a donkey changed in that time, since the demand for skins has grown?

So in the space of those 3 years?

4. Where do the donkeys come from?

5. Does he think any of the donkeys are stolen?

- Do they generally try and kill just the old ones, or does the age of the donkey not matter?

6. What's his role? Does he work there as well as this job? Is his role to kill the donkey, to skin the donkey or to cook the donkey meat?

7. Approximately how many donkeys are killed in Navrongo every week?

8. I understand that the Ghanaian government has made a law saying it is illegal to kill donkeys. ?

- Has the demand he's just mentioned [for donkeys] been affected by the law or are they still killing the same number of donkeys a week they always did?

9. Are they also killing donkeys in other places around here to meet this demand for the foreigners, for the medicine?

- Whereabouts in Upper East Region do they also kill donkeys?

11. Does he think Ghana could run out of donkeys?

12. So does he think they may run out even with the ban?