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Windhoek (cr) - Last week, a 69-year-old man was found in the village of Iitatu in the Omusati region in possession of two live turtles without a permit. The man has been arrested and is due to appear in court.

On the same day, known suspects reportedly cut the throats of a goat and a sheep at Moutonsvlei farm near Klein Aub. The animals are valued at N\$ 6,000. They were not arrested because they managed to escape from the scene of the crime.

In Tsumeb, three suspects reportedly broke into the private farm Elandshoek on Friday and slaughtered a calf valued at N\$8,000. It is alleged that farm workers heard gunshots and reported this to the owner, who called the police. One suspect, a 44-year-old Namibian, was arrested while three others fled.

The following day, a suspect reportedly shot and killed a N\$100,000 male hippopotamus in the Zambezi region after it repeatedly destroyed his corn fields. The firearm, a hunting rifle, three cartridges and a live bullet were confiscated and police investigations are ongoing.

A suspect was also arrested after he allegedly entered the applicant's kraal, stole two goats and slaughtered them in the bush. The incident happened at Ondera Farm on the Red Line east of Oshivelo. It is alleged that the farm workers discovered the incident in the morning and notified the owner, who reported the matter to the police. Half of the carcass was recovered, valued at N\$3000.