

# NEWSLETTER

## SANYE CULTURAL FESTIVAL



### INTRODUCTION

The Sanye, an indigenous ethnic group from Kenya's coastal regions, particularly Lamu County, belong to the Cushitic language group. They have a rich cultural heritage of traditions, music, dance, and cuisine. Originally hunter-gatherers, the Sanye now engage in small-scale farming, fishing, and trade. Despite challenges, they proudly preserve their cultural identity.

We are thrilled to share that the Sanye Cultural Festival, held on 21st June 2024 in Shekale Village, was a resounding success! The event celebrated the Sanye people's rich heritage, bringing together community members and visitors from near and far.



### Event Highlights



### TRADITIONAL SONGS AND DANCES

The festival kicked off with captivating performances of traditional Sanye songs and dances, showcasing the community's unique rhythm and artistic expressions. Attendees also enjoyed a variety of delicious Sanye dishes, providing a delightful culinary experience that highlighted the flavors of the region.

## A DAY TO REMEMBER

The atmosphere was filled with joy and learning as attendees immersed themselves in the cultural festivities. The community's warmth and hospitality left a lasting impression on both young and old who participated. It was a day of celebration, education, and cultural exchange, emphasizing the importance of preserving and honoring our diverse heritage.



## A HEARTFELT THANK YOU AND LOOKING AHEAD

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all who attended and supported the event. Your presence and enthusiasm made the Sanye Cultural Festival truly special. We also thank our partners and volunteers for their unwavering dedication and hard work in making this event possible.

