

Pandemic on the Serengeti

Saruni's village
Serengeti's ancient plain
Covid hunts Maasai

masters of the wild
boffins of bush predators
virus threatens now

cattle's meat, blood, milk
victims of climate-change drought
rice, beans, maize replace

new normal befalls
social distance warps culture
masks disguise anguish

no pandemic deaths*
peaceful people on defense
for millennia

* As of 2 November 2020, as reported by Saruni, our friend since 2018 visit to Maasai Mara



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