

GREATER KATAVI-MAHALE-GOMBE ECOSYSTEM(GKMGE)

WORKSHOP REPORT FOR THE INTERGRATED MANAGEMENT PLANNING TRAINING AND STRATEGIC PLAN PRESENTATION

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1. Overview

A two day workshop was conducted at Kasulu Motel Conference facility in Kasulu district on the 13th and 14th of October 2014. The workshop was organised by Steering Committee of Greater Gombe Mahale Katavi Ecosystem – GGMKE with the support from TUUNGANE project. The facilitator for meeting came from the College of African Wildlife Management – Mweka. The workshop was aimed at 1) discussing the first draft of the proposed Strategic Management Plan and providing a training on Intergrated Management Planning to participants.

2. Participants

A total of 31 participants who are the members of the the Steering Commitee - SC attended. These come from Kigoma DC, Uvinza DC, Mpanda DC, Nsimbo DC, Katavi N.P, Mahale N.P, Tanzania Wildlife Research Insitute –TAWIRI, Tanzania Forest Services –TFS, Regional Natural Resource Officers from Kigoma and Katavi, The Jane Goodal Insititute – JGI and TUUNGANE.

3. Topic discussed

Day one: Participants had an opportunity to go through a set of questionnaires designed by the consultant to address key issues that are partinent in developing and designing a good Strategic Plan. Despite the fact that the questionaire was sent to each participant it was requested by the participants that all the questions to be reviewed in order to have more conclusive and consesus on the required information.

Day two: In this day, apart from the recap on what was discussed the day before, more time was spent on the issue of Strategic Plan. Firstly, a consultant from Mweka started by giving a brief presentation on the meaning and importance of having the Strategic Plan. The aim was to make sure that, all the participants get a general picture on what to say during the following sessions. Secondly, the consultant also made a second presentation on the whole idea of having an integrated management team and why is it important in addressing cross-cutting issues within the landscape. Thirdly, participants were provided with the first draft of Strategic Planto go through. Fourthly, participants formed 5 groups to discuss the draft document so that they can put in their comments and improve it. Lastly every group presented their idea and suggestion in the panel so that all the partiparts can see comments from others and agree from what they have presented.

4. End of workshop

The workshop was adjourned at 5.00 pm by District Planning Officer from Mpanda District. Three things were put forward and discussed as eteps.

- Firstly the draft of the Strategic Planthat include comments from participants will be circulated within the next three days after the workshop. In addition, all the participants agreed to review the Strategic Plan promptly after receiving it.
- Secondly: The final version of the Strategic Planshould be presented to the regional adminstrative secretaries from Katavi and Kigoma regions RAS, district excutive directors DED, due to their positions as decision makers.
- Lastly, the first fund raising event will be organized by the SC and all other stakeholders.

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