

KILOMBERO VALLEY TEAK COMPANY LIMITED
LIVESTOCK CONTROL POLICY



Preamble

KVTC recognises that it operates in the Kilombero valley to enhance the quality of life of all its stakeholders. The company will ensure that local stakeholders will be treated fairly. The company will adopt policies that promote the realisation of significant social, economic, and environmental benefits in the Kilombero valley. The company will endeavour to ensure that its own activities and those of anyone who accesses its property do not negatively impact its own operations and the natural environment. The company will adhere to its lease provisions and ensure that no livestock is either kept or allowed to graze on its property.

Policy

1. KVTC will use various approaches to discourage and prevent illegal grazing on its properties.
 - 1.1. The company will have regular communication with all local communities and other stakeholders that will include local government, Tanzania National Parks (TANAPA), Tanzania Wildlife Management Authority (TAWA), Tanzania Forest Services Agency (TFS), and Tanzania Police among others.
 - 1.2. The company will erect signage on its properties to inform the public that grazing of livestock on its land is prohibited.
 - 1.3. The company will agree on the precise location of its boundaries with neighbouring communities.
 - 1.4. The company will encourage the use of Non-Timber Forest Products by local communities when it can be shown to be sustainable, adequately regulated and helps to discourage illegal activities.
 - 1.5. Village contracts will be designed to ensure that illegal grazing is more severely penalised when calculating annual village bonuses.
2. KVTC will monitor movement of livestock on its properties.
 - 2.1. KVTC employees, contractors, Village Games Scouts (VGS) and communities will be used to monitor and report presence of livestock on the company's properties.
 - 2.2. Formal and informal patrols, fire towers and company drone will be employed to assist in monitoring movement of livestock.
 - 2.3. KVTC's stakeholders named under 1.1 will also be asked to report any sightings of livestock movement on KVTC property.
 - 2.4. Presence of livestock on KVTC property will be reported immediately to the nearest Plantation Manager or Community & Stakeholder Relations Manager (CSRM).
3. The company will evict any livestock found grazing on its properties.
 - 3.1. Any KVTC employee or VGS can drive out livestock found on its property if the employee assesses that it is safe to do so.
 - 3.2. In all instances when eviction of the cattle might lead to retaliation or violence, the matter should be handled by the CSRM.
 - 3.3. The CSRM will liaise with the relevant stakeholders to agree on timing of eviction and resources required.
 - 3.4. The CEO will in all such instances have to approve the exercise. No KVTC employees or assets will be involved in the eviction of the livestock.
4. The company will maintain records of livestock movement on all its properties.
 - 4.1. Incident registers, VGS reports, and stakeholder reports will be used to collect data on:
 - 4.1.1. Number of livestock spotted by area / block and date.
 - 4.1.2. Number of livestock evicted by area / block, date and parties involved.
 - 4.1.3. The cost of each eviction operation will also be recoded.
 - 4.1.4. A summary of the data will be included in the Community, Conservation and Certification Department's monthly report to enable management to monitor trends and review this policy when necessary.

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