

Ziwa Letu

Climate Change, Pollution and Sustainable Use of Natural Resources in the Lake Victoria Region

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Mwanza, Tanzania

JOINT ACTION PLAN

1. SUSTAINABILITY AND STRATEGIES

- Community sensitization and mobilization
- Formation and strengthening of BMUs
- Creation/strengthening of Environmental committees at all levels
- Create alternative economic/livelihood opportunities
- Lobbying and advocacy on policy enforcement
- Participatory monitoring and evaluation
- Strengthen cooperation between LGAs and CSOs in planning and implementation of community activities/projects
- Capacity building for sustainability
- Environmental issues should be permanent agenda in all legal meetings
- Gender mainstreaming
- Create sense of ownership over Ziwa Letu
- Community participation in planning and implementation

2. INFORMATION

- Information and data collection and documentation
- Dissemination and utilization of indigenous knowledge
- Participatory research
- LGAs and CSOs to jointly carry out sensitisation seminars on environmental issues
- Information sharing through appropriate media such as community radio
- Awareness creation for communities and other stakeholders
- Establishment and strengthening of community resource centers
- Effective documentation and sharing of information with all stakeholders
- Transparency of information
- Integration in information dissemination and data based information preparation

3. WASTE MANAGEMENT

- Allocation of designated collection points for solid wastes in communities
- Recycling technology should be introduced
- Harmonization of waste disposal standards for Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda
- Regular Cleanliness Campaign including community mobilization
- Sanitation campaign
- Improve solid waste disposal management system in urban areas
- Promotion of green production policies
- Collaboration between LGAs and CSOs in solid waste management activities

4. POLICY, STANDARDS AND ENFORCEMENT

- Enforcement of policy and laws/by-laws with involvement of leaders at all levels
- Harmonization of policies, standards and enforcement in Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda
- Improve community awareness

5. NETWORKING AND ADVOCACY

- Joint meetings between LGAs and CSOs on environmental matters
- Establish Ziwa Letu Stakeholders Forums at regional and district level
- Strengthen cooperation
- Creation of Ziwa Letu Website
- Close collaboration between LGAs, CSOs, FBOs, CBOs

6. GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

- Regular production and dissemination of implementation reports
- Improvement of LGAs accountability and pro-activeness
- Increasing transparency and participation
- Enhance anti-corruption measures
- Implementation of plans, laws and evaluation
- Specific monitoring plans
- Promote ethical leadership and patriotism
- Reduce negative political interference
- Legal framework reviewed
- Have strategic plans for CSOs
- Building institutions' capability on governance and accountability

7. ANY OTHER EMERGING ISSUES

- Afforestation and revegetation of shores
- Review BMU policies within EAC countries
- Capacity Building for BMUs
- Environmental conservation education in school curricula
- Improve LGAs budget allocation for environmental conservation activities
- Gender considerations in environmental issues
- Training, sensitisation on conservation agriculture
- Community around Lake Victoria be given role to collect levies as incentive to guard/protect the lake rather than giving to tenderers
- Establish dams for provision of water for livestock
- Promotion of indigenous knowledge
- Raise awareness on adaptation and mitigation to climate change issues
- Increase emergency preparedness and risk reduction
- Participatory research on environmental issues

Thank you very much!

Ahsanteni sana!

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