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**DE-SNARING REPORT  
DECEMBER 2013  
CHYULU/DUMA TEAM**



## Chyulu/Duma Team Patrol Report for December, 2013

### Monthly Summary

The Chyulu Team lead by Stephen M, focused their operations inside the Chyuku National Park and its surrounding communities during December. The team arrested and booked 22 people who they captured while on patrol. The majority of incidents this month involved cases of illegal grazing within the Chyulu Hills NP. Additional cases included charcoal production, woodcarving, logging and growing of miraa and game-meat processing.

*The Chyulu Team focused on the illegal cattle entering the Chyulu Hills NP, arresting 22 herders*



Like other teams the Chyulu Team is always on the lookout for wildlife sightings within their area. This month they spotted two lionesses out on the open on the hills sides of the Chyulu Hills – a good sign that the intruding cattle have not pushed the lion out.

*A lioness, often victims of poisoning by cattle herders, sighted on the open hillsides of the Chyulu Hills*



Two persons were captured and charged with the processing of game-meat, one of the ongoing threats to the wildlife of the Chyulu Hills NP which has a long running unfenced border with communities. Two people were charged with cutting trees and taking illegal wood from the park.

*The recovery of game-meat and wood carvings shows the multi tasking strategies of poachers*



*KWS rangers and the Chyulu Team capture a wood carver in the Chyulu Hills NP*



While the forested Chyulu Hills NP tends to have many cases of illegal loggers and wood-carvers, the bush-meat trade here also flourishes. The main quarry is Coke' Hartebeests which are chased down on foot into areas where they become trapped by the terrain. The animal is then slashed on the back of the legs by whoever can get close enough to immobilize it, before the *pangas* close in and finish it off. The team does not find large numbers of snares like other teams as a result.

*Another wood carver is arrested by the Chyulu team*



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## Chyulu/Duma Team

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#### Participants

Jamal	Lopiding
Paul	Kamau
Lemanten	Labarakwe
Stephen	Musau
James	Nyumu
David	Wambua

#### Areas Patrolled

Voi  
Utu  
Metava  
Mbukoni  
Mbololo Lugga  
Kithasyo  
Kikunduku  
Kikulia  
Kenzili  
Kai Rock  
Chyulu National Park  
Bondeni Area

#### Arrests

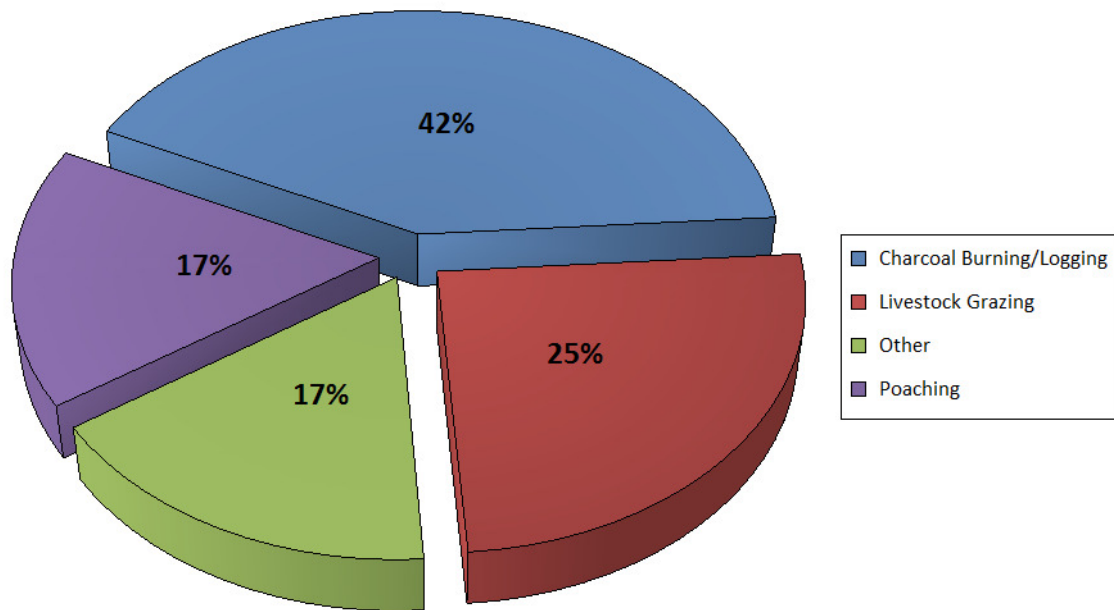
22 Arrest(s) this month



## Chyulu/Duma Team

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#### Main Illegal Activities experienced during the Month





## Chyulu/Duma Team

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#### KWS Ranger Participation

Patrol Team	KWS Ranger Name	No. Patrol Days
Chyulu/Duma	Mohamed, Siyat	21
Chyulu/Duma	Mohamed, Siyat	3
Chyulu/Duma	Mohamed, Siyat	2
Chyulu/Duma	Abdulaziz, Abdalah	20
Chyulu/Duma	Abdiaziz, Abdalah	5
Chyulu/Duma	Abdalah, Abdulaziz	1

**Total Man Days of KWS Participation: 52**

# Chyulu/Duma Team Illegal Activities Map December 2013

