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DE-SNARING REPORT AUGUST 2013

ITHUMBA/NDOVU TEAM



Ithumba/Ndovu Team De-Snaring Report for August, 2013

Participants

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Areas Patrolled

Umbi Hill

Tundani

Tiva

Power Line

Mutomo

Mathae

Macho Kombo

Lesilau Dam

Kimweli

Kasaala fencline

Kanziku Freeline

Kalovoto

Arrests

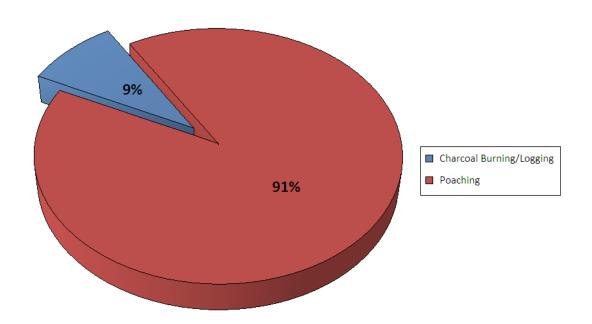
4 Arrest(s) this month



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Main Illegal Activities experienced during the Month





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Wildlife Carcasses - Number, Species, Cause of Death

1	No. Carcasses	Species	Cause of Death	Means of Death	Carcass Age
	1	Dikdik	Poached	Snared	Fresh (less than 3 weeks
	1	Elephant	Poached	Arrowing	Fresh (less than 3 weeks
	2	Kudu Lesser	Poached	Snared	Fresh (less than 3 weeks



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Snares Collected

Snare Type	Snare Size	Snare Description	No. Confiscated
Thin Wire	Small	Line	23
Thin Wire	Small	Cluster	160
Medium Wire	Medium	Line	7
Medium Wire	Medium	Cluster	65
Cable	Large	Line	3

Total Snares Collected: 258



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Monthly Summary

Findings

Mathae area

The team resumed work on the 4th of the month after taking one month annual leave and visited Mathae area which's adjacent to the Ithumba elephant stockade and noted that the poacher's had taken advantage to deal I their activities when the team was away as many snares were lifted during the course of the month around that area.

Kalovoto area

Kalovoto area is adjacent to the Ithumba base on the northern side. This area was extensively patrolled for five days towards Kanziku fence line with 37 small and 3 medium snares lifted. The team noted that the snares found there were newly laid and the team tried to lay an ambush but to no avail.

Lesilau Dam area

The team patrolled Lesilau Dam area around the Ithumba Hill and towards Shimo la Shetani area where a poached elephant carcass was found with its tusks was missing. The poachers used poisoned arrows to kill the animal. The team also found and destroyed a shooting blind which had been used during the rainy season. The team also collected some snares in this area.

Umbi area

The team patrolled Kanziku fence line towards Umbi after getting information that some bicycles were sighted crossing over into the Park's side. An ambush was laid for two consecutive days and managed to arrest one logger while his associate escaped. Two bicycles, an axe, a panga and three beams of wet wood were recovered while the logger was booked at Mutomo Police Station.

Tundani area

Towards the end of the month, the team got information that notorious poachers from the nearby community had gone into the Park on a mission to poach elephants. The team thoroughly patrolled Tundani area towards Tiva and managed to arrest three poachers but one escaped. The poachers were caught in possession of 128 assorted snares, 16 poisoned arrows and 3 bows, 3 knives, 1 axe and 20 KGS of maize flour. They were booked at the Voi Police Station awaiting sentencing.

Report compiled by; Henry Lekochere.



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KWS Ranger Participation

Patrol Team	KWS Ranger Name	No. Patrol Days
Ithumba/Ndovu	Japhet, Ngolo	24
Ithumba/Ndovu	Dan,	2
Ithumba/Ndovu	Calvin, Oketch	24
Ithumba/Ndovu	Boru, Denge	1
Ithumba/Ndovu	Ali, Galgalo	1
Ithumba/Ndovu	, Wambugu	1
Ithumba/Ndovu	, Nyawira	1
Ithumba/Ndovu	, Mwai	1

Total Man Days of KWS Participation: 55

<u>Ithumba/Ndovu team August 2013 desnaring report photographs</u>



Shooting blind at Leslau area.



Bicycle and logs recovered from poachers



Old elephant carcass found at Leslau dam area.



Desnaring at Kanziku area