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**DE-SNARING REPORT  
MAY 2012**

**MTITO TEAM**



## Mtito Team

### De-Snaring Report for May, 2012

#### Participants

Dennis	Lemerwas
Paul	Chalo
Emmanuel	Kiperus
Stephen	Liyayi
Paul	Kyalo
Ali	Roba
Bernard	Kimani
Noah	Lesimirdana
Lemanten	Labarakwe
Boru	Okicha
John	Mungai
Vincent	Mutua
Julius	Kyalo
Patrick	Mutuku
Adan	Abdi

#### Areas Patrolled

Tsavo East  
Trust Land  
Tharakana  
Sasoon Land  
Ngiluni  
Mtito River  
Misani Reserve  
Makutano  
Kusyanyi  
Kilalinda  
Kambu River  
Kalawa  
Iviani  
Oza Ranch



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### De-Snaring Report for May, 2012

#### Arrests

1 Arrest(s) this month



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#### Illegal Activities - Number, Type and Description

Illegal Activity	No. Incidents	Location	Percentage	Scale	Arrests
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	2	Tsavo Farm	15.38%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Ngomo Village	7.69%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Misani	7.69%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Kilalinda	7.69%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Kalawa	7.69%	Subsistence	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	3	Kalawa	23.08%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Medium Game	1	Sasoon Land	100.00%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	1	Kilalinda	11.11%	Subsistence	No
Poachers' Camp , Snaring - Small Game	1	Misani	100.00%	Commercial	No
Charcoal Burning , Charcoal Kiln	1	Oza Ranch	33.33%	Commercial	No

\* 'Percentage' indicates the overall percentage occurrence (encountered by all de-snaring teams) of that particular illegal activity during the selected month.



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#### Wildlife Carcasses - Number, Species, Cause of Death

No. Carcasses	Species	Cause of Death	Means of Death	Carcass Age
1	Elephant	Poached	Arrowing	Recent (3 weeks - 1 year)



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#### Snares Collected

Snare Type	Snare Size	Snare Description	No. Confiscated
Thin Wire	Small	Scattered	83
Thin Wire	Small	Line	4
Thin Wire	Small	Cluster	20
Thin Wire	Large	Line	5

<b>Total Snares Collected:</b>	<b>112</b>
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#### Community Work

Target Group	Target Group Name	Activity	Location
School	Nthunguni Primary School		Nthunguni
School	Kilindwani Primary school	School Trip	Kilalinda



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#### Monthly Summary

The team resumed operations from 3rd of May upon returning from 10 days off. The team began by visiting Ngiluni park boundary area and moved on to patrolling other areas like Misani, Tsavo farm, Trust land and Kilalinda wild life conservation area. On 9th of may one apprehension was made of a man who was arrested at Kyusiani area, he was on a bicycle and in possession of a torch used for lamping, ragged clothes used for poaching with animal fur on them and a metal rod as well, the man was booked at the Mtito Andei police station for the offence of poaching.

The team proceeded with their operation which saw quite a number of small and large snares being removed by the team. Most of the snares found were targeting lesser kudu, dikdik, impalas and larger game like buffalo. The team found an elephant carcass that was sighted by the aerial unit and reported to the ground team, the possible cause of death of the elephant is thought to be poison arrow. The team found a poachers hideout at Kalawa area through the help of an informer and recovered 11 poisonous arrows, fresh dikdik meat, a sack of poison and an elephant tail.

Sadly the poachers were nowhere to be seen. The Team confiscated their weapons and wildlife products.

This month's community outreach projects involved the team taking two schools namely Nthunguni primary school and Kiundwani primary school on a school trip to the Tsavo National park. The experience and exposure to Kenya's beautiful natural resource was thoroughly enjoyed, and the students learnt a lot about wildlife and the different species of wild animals.

Report by Stephen Lyali, Mtito Team Leader





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Kiundwani primary pupils at shetani lava



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Nthunguni primary school pupils at Mzima Springs



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A birds trap found at Kyusiani area



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A poachers hide-out sighted at Kalawa area



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An elephant carcass found outside the Park



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The team removing snares



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Team members destroying a poachers hideout



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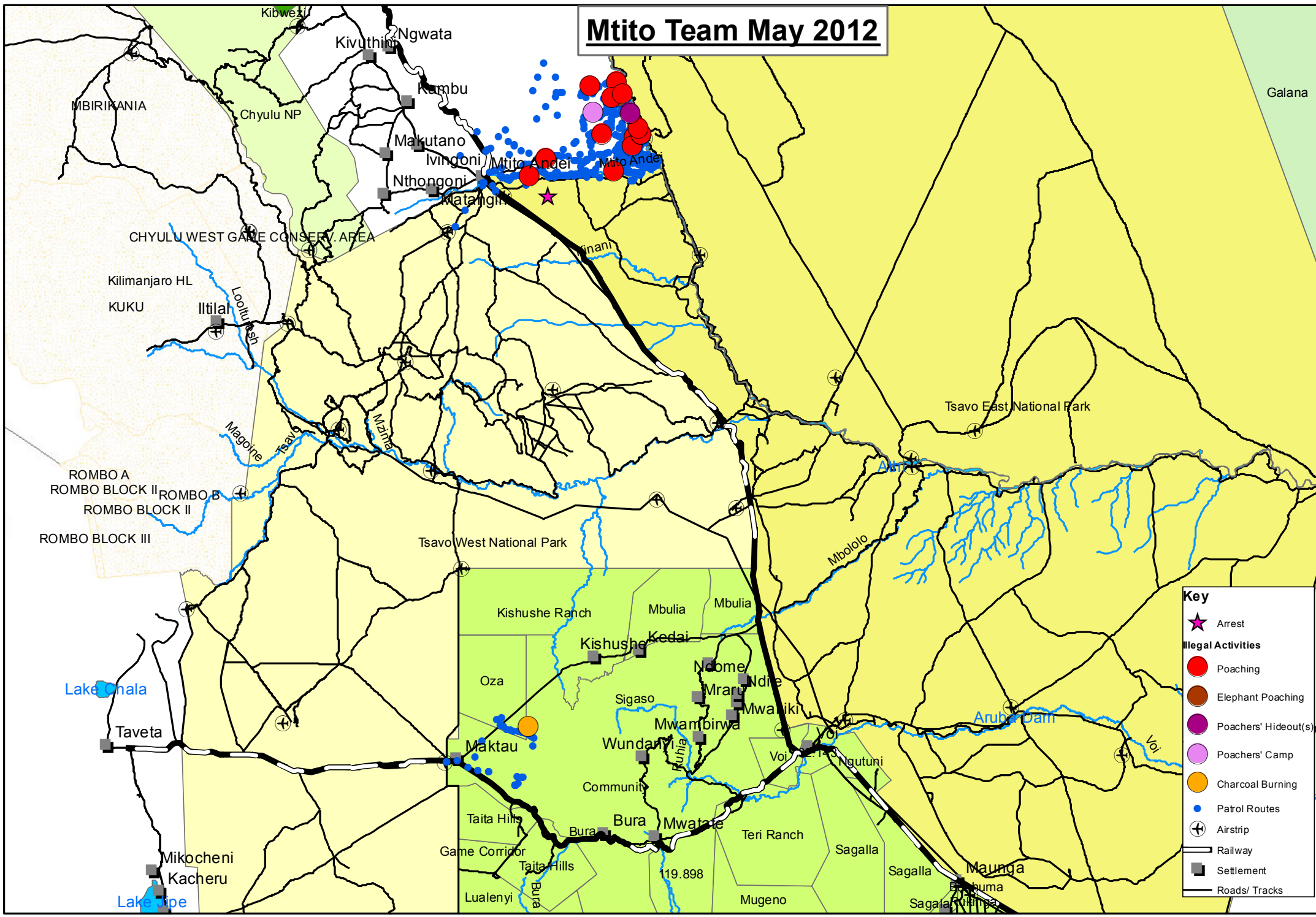
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Team members on Patrol



# Mtito Team May 2012



**Key**

- ★ Arrest
- Illegal Activities**
  - Poaching
  - Elephant Poaching
  - Poachers' Hideout(s)
  - Poachers' Camp
  - Charcoal Burning
- Patrol Routes
- ⊕ Airstrip
- Railway
- Settlement
- Roads/ Tracks