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**DE-SNARING REPORT  
FEBRUARY 2013**

**ITHUMBA/ NDOVU TEAM**



## Ithumba/Ndovu Team

### De-Snaring Report for February, 2013

#### Participants

Stephen	Mutuku
Edwin	Githae
Rais	Ledonyo
Piliias	Lekeele
Patrick	Mutuku
Henry	Lekochoere

#### Areas Patrolled

Umbi Hill  
Tundani  
Tiva  
Power Line  
Mathae  
Lesilau Dam  
Kasaala fenceline  
Kanziku Freeline  
Kalovoto  
Imenti  
Gazi

#### Arrests

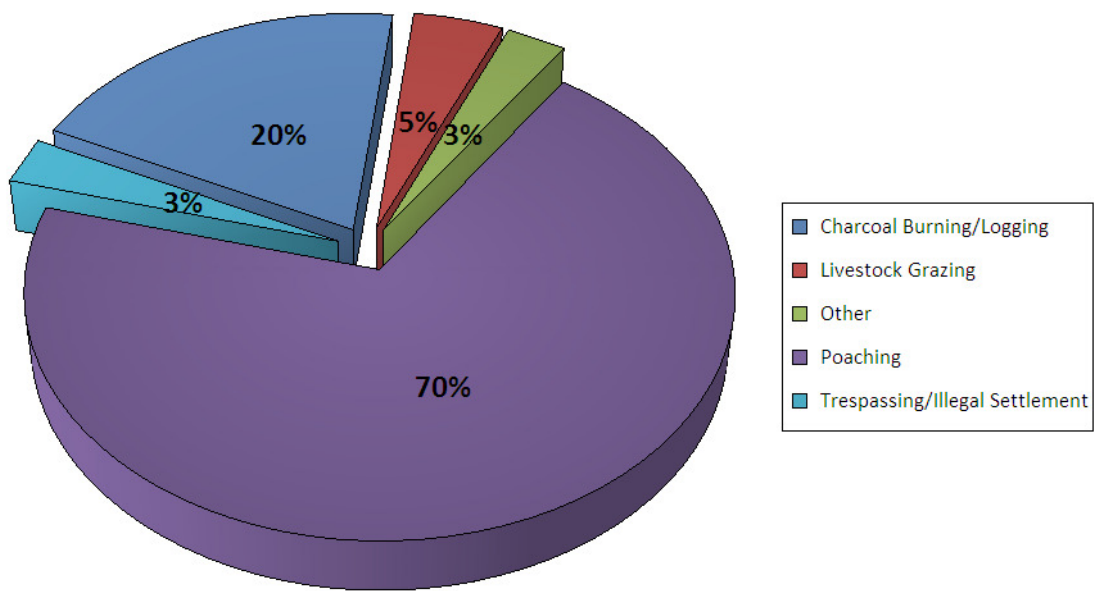
1 Arrest(s) this month



# Ithumba/Ndovu Team

## De-Snaring Report for February, 2013

### Main Illegal Activities experienced during the Month





## Ithumba/Ndovu Team

### De-Snaring Report for February, 2013

#### Snares Collected

Snare Type	Snare Size	Snare Description	No. Confiscated
Thin Wire	Small	Cluster	28

<b>Total Snares Collected:</b>	<b>28</b>
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## Ithumba/Ndovu Team

### De-Snaring Report for February, 2013

#### Monthly Summary

##### NDOVU TEAM REPORT FOR FEB 2013

Areas patrolled were; Kasala, Umbi fence line, Tundani, Lesilau dam, Kalovoto, Mathae, Gazi and Power line.

#### Findings

On the 2nd day of the month, the team got information that an elephant was killed along Kasala fence line outside the Park and together with KWS rangers rushed to the area and we found a young bull elephant was dead with its tusks still intact and we believed that the animal had been killed by the natives neighboring the Park. This was one of the rogue elephants that strayed away from the park and destroyed the community's crops. On the 9th and 10th of Feb, the team patrolled Tundani area for a follow up of the air patrol and sighted two shooting blinds which had been used some few weeks ago and the team destroyed it. Lesilau Dam area was visited where a recently used shooting blind was found and fresh footprints of two poachers sighted. The team followed them until they crossed the Kanziku fence line. Kalovoto area was patrolled and the teams found a poacher's mobile hideout and also sighted two fresh footprints and were believed to be the same foot prints seen previously at Lesilau dam area. The team laid an ambush and managed to arrest one poacher but his accomplice escaped arrest. The poacher was arrested, and found a bow, 4 poisoned arrows, a knife, 5 kgs of bush meat and 31 medium snares in his possession. He was booked at Mutomo Police Station. On the 19th day of the month, Nyati and Ndovu teams jointly patrolled Tiva area for two days but no illegal activities were found and the team relocated to Gazi area for three days whereby charcoal burning and livestock grazing have been sighted as the two major illegal activities in that area. The team managed to arrest two poachers and two charcoal burners and also destroyed several charcoal kilns. Logging and charcoal burning are prevalent occurrence threatening the vegetation if not checked. Towards the end of the operation, the team visited power line area and managed to lift up 44 newly set snares. Kasala fence line and Mathae areas were also visited where the team lifted 20 small snares and destroyed a shooting blind was also sighted and destroyed. Next month, the team will visit all the hotspot areas sighted to monitor the situation on the ground.

Report compiled by;  
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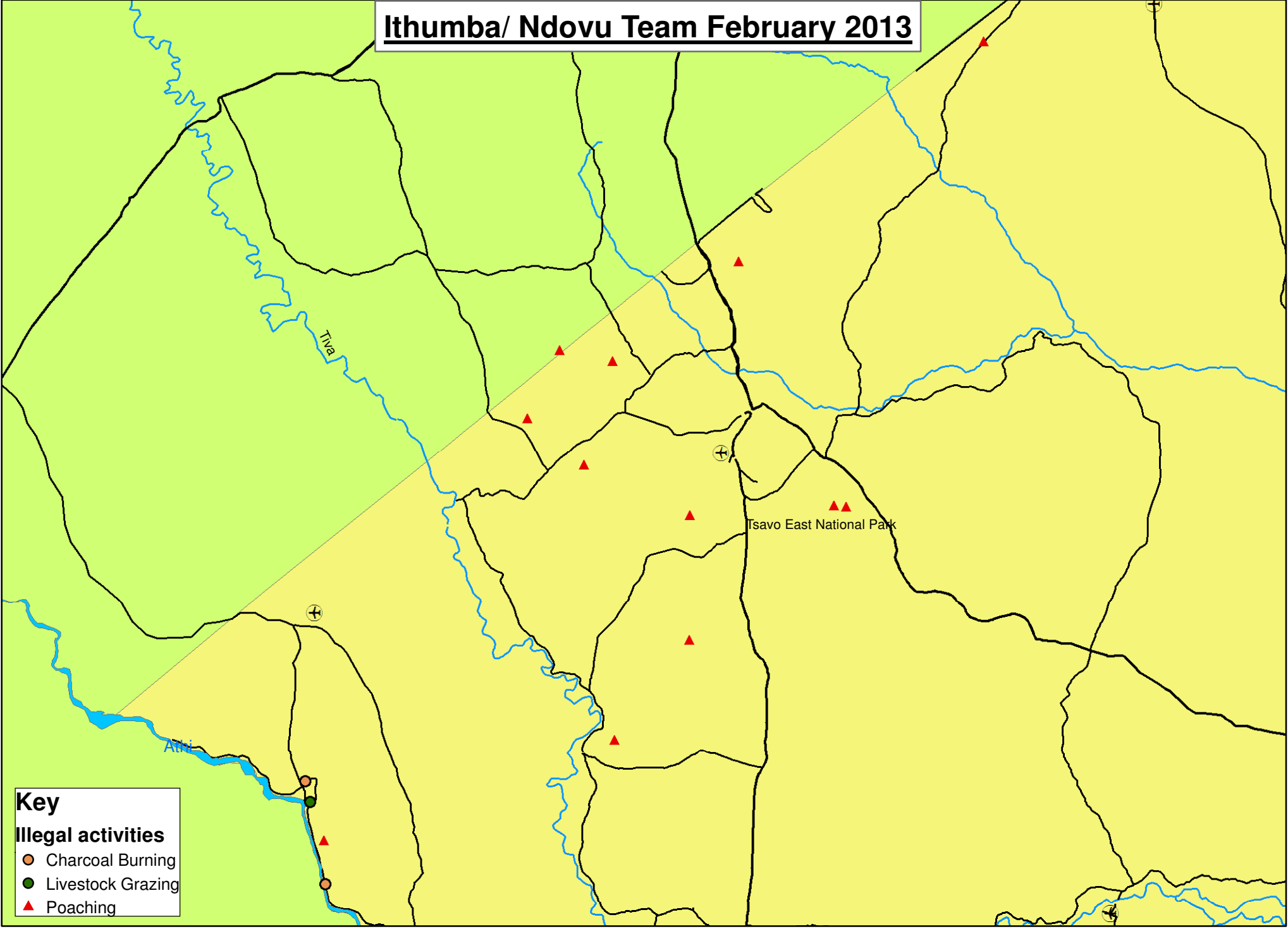
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#### KWS Ranger Participation

Patrol Team	KWS Ranger Name	No. Patrol Days
Ithumba/Ndovu	George, Wanyama	4
Ithumba/Ndovu	Cpl, Asich	4
Ithumba/Ndovu	, Singoro	6
Ithumba/Ndovu	, Okoth	15
Ithumba/Ndovu	, Mutegi	11
Ithumba/Ndovu	, Moha	2
Ithumba/Ndovu	, Kirui	12

**Total Man Days of KWS Participation: 54**

# Ithumba/ Ndovu Team February 2013



- Key**
- Illegal activities**
- Charcoal Burning
  - Livestock Grazing
  - ▲ Poaching





**Ithumba/ Ndovu Team February 2013 desnaring report photographs**



**Above: A shooting blind at Tundani area.**



**Above: A bird trap in Gazi area.**



**Above: A charcoal kiln in Gazi area..**



**Above: Cut wood in Gazi area.**





**Above right: A killed elephant in Kasala area area.**



**Above: Destroying a shooting blind at Mathea area.**



**Above: Destroying a shooting platform at Power line area.**



**Above: Lifting a small snare at Power Line area.**



**Above: Logs at Gazi.**