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**DE-SNARING REPORT
JANUARY 2013**

SIMBA TEAM



Simba Team

De-Snaring Report for January, 2013

Participants

Marayion	Lelekoiten
Dennis	Lemerwas
Ali	Diba
Noah	Lesimirdana
Stephen	Musau
James	Nyumu
Daniel	Lelekoiten

Areas Patrolled

Salt Lick
Mwananchi Ranch
Mbulia
Maktau
Kishushe Ranch
Kalulu Ranch
Jipe

Arrests

2 Arrest(s) this month



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Illegal Activities - Number, Type and Description

Illegal Activity	No. Incidents	Location	Percentage	Scale	Arrests
Trespassing , Dry Wood	1	Salt Lick	100.00%	Commercial	Yes
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Mbulia	20.00%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	1	Salt Lick	50.00%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Bird Trapping	1	Salt Lick	100.00%	Commercial	No
Livestock Grazing , Fresh Tracks	1	Jipe	100.00%	Commercial	No
Charcoal Burning , Charcoal Kiln	1	Salt Lick	14.29%	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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Snares Collected

Snare Type	Snare Size	Snare Description	No. Confiscated
Thin Wire	Small	Line	21
Thin Wire	Large	Cluster	8

Total Snares Collected: 29



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Monthly Summary

Report summary

The team resumed its operations on 18th of January 2013 after having a 15days break and visited Taita hills sanctuary, a known hot spot for bush meat poaching. During the patrols conducted in this area, the team managed to arrest an old woman collecting firewood in the sanctuary. We realized that the woman was not of sound mind so we handed her over to the area chief.

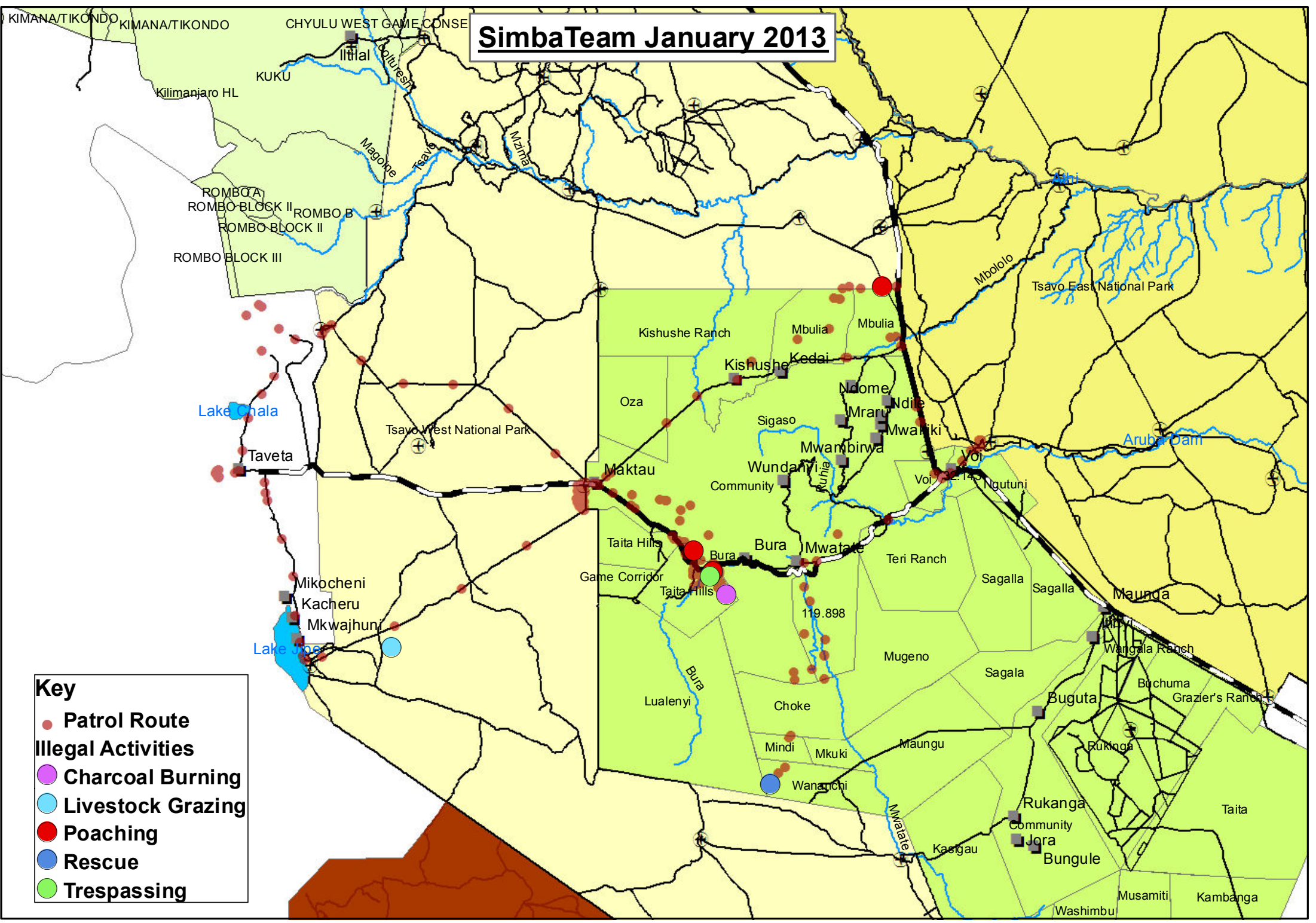
The team conducted many visits in this sanctuary and managed to lift 8 snares which targeted buffaloes and other 5 traps which targeted rodents and birds. The team also patrolled Mbulia ranch after receiving information from an informer and managed to lift 16 small snares which targeted small games near one of the fence attendant's camp. The team gave a stern verbal warning to the fence attendants.

On 22nd of January 2013, we got information from KWS investigation officers that there was a lorry transporting beans from Rombo to Mombasa. They then requested us to intercept it since they suspected two elephant tusk dealers were aboard that lorry. We laid an ambush and managed to catch the lorry where we did a quick search and booked it to a nearby police road checkpoint station. Early next morning we conducted a thorough search but found nothing.

Voi stockade keepers together with Simba team managed to rescue an orphaned elephant calf at Mwananchi ranch. The team concluded that the calf had not starved for more than two days because it looked healthy despite being completely dependent on milk. We met one of the KWS investigations officers who informed us that there was a fresh poached elephant carcass found at Mwananchi ranch two days before the rescue and thus the calf was a victim of poaching.

Compiled by Simba team leader; Stephen Musau.

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- Key**
- Patrol Route
 - Illegal Activities**
 - Charcoal Burning
 - Livestock Grazing
 - Poaching
 - Rescue
 - Trespassing



Simba Team January 2013 desnaring report photographs



Above: Voi keepers and Simba team rescuing an orphaned male elephant in Mwananchi ranch



Above: Desnaring exercise at Mbulia ranch



Above: The team conducting a thorough search in a lorry believed to be ferrying poachers



Above: Two suspects found in the lorry.



Above right: The rescued elephant calf.



Above: Charcoal burning at Saltlick ranch



Above: Simba team patrolling



Above: Illegal firewood collection at the saltlick ranch



Above: Underground traps found