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**CARBON TRADE INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY IN SIKONGE DISTRICT**

Sikonge District has an area of 27,287 kilometres square, equivalent to 27 per cent of the total area of Tabora Region. 94.5 per cent of 27,287 square kilometres is covered by miombo woodland forest reserves and 5.5 per cent is residential and other productive activities. There are 19 Forest Reserves (FR) within the district falling under various specific management. 5 FR are owned and managed by Sikonge District Council, these FR are Mpembampazi, Goweko, Walla River, Sikonge and Ugunda with a coverages area of 133,120ha, 41,600ha, 158,720ha, 56,320ha and 128,000 respectively. Descriptions of these forest are attached underneath.

Four FR of Swangala, Nyahua mbuga, Itulu hill and Inyonga east are owned and managed by Tanzania Forest Services (TFS). These FR has an area of 268,800ha, 679,896ha, 384,000h, 142,000ha correspondingly. More details including forest description is accessible through Sikonge TFS District Office.

Twelve (12) FR are at village land being managed by Village government, these forest reserves are Kululu West (86,112ha), Mwenge- Mkola (9,540ha), Utimule (2,067.03ha), Kanyamsenge- kiloleli (6,259.52ha), Migumbu (6,974.47ha), Migumbu-Wankolongo – Pangale (15,261.34ha), Isirimawe (5,495.57ha), Muungano (5,770ha) and Mpole (6,536.73ha). Others are Kanala (5,432.55ha), Mwakayeke A (5,681.8ha) and Mwakayeke B (5,608.12ha). More information's concerning the village forest reserves is accessed at the District Executive Office through the contacts depicted at the headed paper.

*Investing in Sikonge's forest-based carbon trade offers environmental, social, and financial returns. With proper management and community involvement, it can be a win-win for investors, locals, and the planet.*

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## **Motive for investment under Carbon trade at Sikonge District Council**

- i. Favorable regulatory environment
- ii. National, Regional and District political will
- iii. Good ecological condition that has High Carbon Sequestration Potential. Miombo woodlands, which are excellent at absorbing and storing carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). These forests play a crucial role in mitigating climate change, making them valuable for carbon credit projects.
- iv. Forest Reserves are legally gazetted
- v. The forest reserves are easily accessible from the District Head quarters
- vi. Access to International Carbon Markets - Tanzania is part of global climate agreements, allowing carbon credits from Sikonge to be sold easily on the market
- vii. Biodiversity and Ecosystem Benefits – Investors can contribute on conserving Sikonge's forests reserves that protects wildlife habitats, water sources, and soil quality, enhancing sustainability.
- viii. Economic Benefits for Local Communities – Carbon trade projects often involve community-based forest management, providing income, hence investors credibility.
- ix. Council demand for economic and conservation benefits
- x. Strong Community and Council management support to investors

### **Sample of Miombo Woodland Forest Images**



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The look of Miombo forest reserves available at Sikonge District - canopy

**“Investors are highly welcome to invest under forest carbon trade project.”**

**Description of District Forest Reserves are attached underneath.**



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### Descriptions of Forest Reserves owned by the Sikonge District Council being favourable for Carbon Project Trade.

#### 1. Walla River Forest Reserve

##### 1.1 Forest type

Walla River Forest is classified as a natural Miombo woodland forest. The Forest is sustainability primarily relies on the natural regeneration which contain different trees species with different age and size. There are some dominants species within the forest such as *Burkea africana*, *Brachystegia spiciformis*, *Pericopsis angolensis*, *Jubernardia globiflora*.

##### 1.2 Ownership and management

Walla river forest is owned by Sikonge District council. The forest is legally gazated by Government Notice (GN) No. 251 of 1956. Sikonge District Council act as custodian responsible for the management, supervision and decision – making authority regarding the forest's management.

##### 1.3 Forest area and Location

Walla River Forest Reserve is in the South – west of Tabora Region on the west side of the Main Tabora – Mpanda Road. The forest is bordered with Mole and Tutuo wards and it is surrounded by the villages of Igalula, Isonga, Kidete and Mitowo of Sikonge District.

The total area covered by Walla River Forest Reserve is 158,720 Ha. Within the reserves there are economic human activities that facilitate the conservation of the reserves. These activities include Beekeeping, fishing, collection of traditional medicines and natural fruits. This forest is a water source of the Walla River, so the forest is catchment area.

#### 2. Uganda Forest Reserve

##### 2.1 Forest type

Ugunda Forest is classified as a natural Miombo woodland forest. The Forest is sustainability primarily relies on the natural regeneration which contain different trees species with different age and size. There are some dominants species within the forest such as *Burkea africana*, *Brachystegia spiciformis*, *Pericopsis angolensis*, *Jubernardia globiflora*, *Terminalia sericea*, *Combretum molle*.

##### 2.2 Ownership and management

Ugunda forest is owned by Sikonge District council. The forest is legally gazated by Government Notice (GN) No. 384 of 1954. Sikonge District Council act as custodian responsible for the management, supervision and decision – making authority regarding the forest's management.

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### **2.3 Forest area and Location**

Ugunda Forest Reserve is in the south – west of Sikonge District through the road to Ugalla Reserve, and west of the main road of Sikonge – Ipole, and all sides of the Main Tabora – Mpanda Road. The forest is bordered with Ngoywa and Ipole wards and is surrounded by the villages of Makazi, Ugunga, Ipole and Utimule.

The total area covered by Ugunda Forest Reserve is 128,000 Ha. Tourist hunting, Beekeeping, Fishing, Cultural events, Mushroom collection and collection of forest products such as fruits and grasses are being undertaken in the reserves under special arrangements. These activities help to ensure the sustainable conservation of this reserve.

This forest is in good ecological condition due to conservation strategies being implemented in collaboration with other actors.

## **3. Goweko Forest Reserve**

### **3.1 Forest type**

Goweko forest reserve is a natural Miombo woodland forest. The Forest relies on the natural regeneration which contain different trees species with different age and size due to uneven growth. There are some dominants species within the forest such as *Burkea africana*, *Brachystegia spiciformis*, *Pericopsis angolensis*, *Jubernardia globiflora*, *Terminalia sericea*, *Combretum molle*.

### **3.2 Ownership and management**

Goweko Forest Reserve is owned by Sikonge District council. The forest is legally gazated by Government Notice (GN) No. 252 of 1963. Sikonge District Council act as custodian responsible for the management, supervision and decision – making authority regarding the forest's management.

### **3.3 Forest area and Location**

Goweko Forest Reserve is in north of the main central railway line approximately 40 miles South – East of Tabora town. The forest is centred in approximate latitude of 5 degrees 19 minutes South and longitude 33 degrees 20 minutes East.

The forest is bordered with Nyahua ward and is surrounded by the villages of Nyahua, Gengesita and Nyapindi, this forest is also known for its carbon sequestration and its natural vegetation is abundant throughout the forest area. Forest Reserve is covered with an area of 128,000 Ha. Human activities carried within the forest reserve including beekeeping, traditional events, fishing and collection of forest fruits and vegetables.



## **4 Mpembampazi Forest Reserve**

### **4.1 Forest type**

Mpembampazi Forest is a natural Miombo forest. The Forest primarily relies on the natural regeneration containing different trees species with different age and size. There are some dominant species within the forest such as *Burkea africana*, *Brachystegia spiciformis*, *Pericopsis angolensis*, *Jubernardia globiflora*, *Terminalia sericea*, *Combretum molle*.

### **4.2 Ownership and management**

Mpembampazi forest is owned by Sikonge District council. The forest is legally gazetted by Government Notice (GN) No. 345 of 1955. Sikonge District Council act as custodian responsible for the management, supervision and decision – making authority regarding the forest's management.

### **4.3 Forest area and Location**

Mpembampazi Forest Reserve is in South side of Sikonge between Kipanga, the Mpembampazi swamp and Msisi camp.

The area of this Forest Reserve is 133,120 Ha. The Forest is boarded with kiloleli and Ngoywa wards and is surrounded by the villages of Mtakuja, Mwamulu, Songambe and kiloleli. Moreover, there are human activities carried within the forest reserve including bee keeping, local hunting and timber harvesting according to management plan as it was prepared for ensuring the sustainable conservation of this reserve.