



REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

MANYINGA TOWN COUNCIL

DISTRICT PROFILE FOR MANYINGA

BACK GROUND

Manyinga District formerly known as Kabompo East Constituency is the central most part of the new Mining Region of Zambia. It is 730 kilometers North West of Lusaka and also 350km from Solwezi. As a new district created in 2013, Manyinga has a well-planned Central Business District that is green and beautiful. Once fully exploited, the town will offer a wide array of benefits to investors from fertile land for crop production, manufacturing, service industry and educational institutions.

Population: Central Statistics Office estimates that Manyinga has a population of 60, 000. Like most rural parts of Zambia, the town has a rich history, culture and traditions that attract hundreds of people annually to social events for the Lunda, Luvale, Chokwe, Mbunda and Luchazi speaking people.

Location: The district shares an international boundary with Angola in the north, and district boundaries with Mufumbwe in the east, Kabompo in the west and Mwinilunga in the north-west.

Economy: The major activities that sustain the economy of Manyinga include small-scale farming, livestock and timber production (exotic timber). The main crops grown by farmers are; maize, groundnuts and cassava. Manyinga also boasts of high grade bituminous (M8) road that passes through the district (Solwezi-Chavuma) executive lodges, guest houses, shops and restaurants that serve local cuisines.

In the last three (3) years, Manyinga has recorded above positive economic growth indicators in agriculture, lumbering, mining, honey production and growing service industry. The decentralization

policy has resulted in the increase of the number of public service workers living in the district. In 2017, Manyinga had 1200 fulltime employees working in Health, Agriculture, Education and other Government Agencies.

Traditional Ceremony: The traditional Ceremony celebrated in Manyinga is called the Lukwakwa Ceremony. This is celebrated by the Mbunda speaking people over a period of three days under Senior Chief Sikufele, during the first week of October every year. The Ceremony commemorates the Mbunda conquests as they fought alongside the Aluyi in support of Prince Mubukwanu, one of the sons of the Aluyi, King Mulambwa. It also gives thanks to their Creator the Almighty God for the blessings on them in providing good harvest the past months according to his love.

KEY POTENTIAL INVESTMENT AREAS

Agriculture

Manyinga has a number of small scale farmers involved in both crop and livestock agriculture. The District geographic profile favors investments in large scale livestock production. Available investment opportunities in the sector currently include; commercial and medium scale agriculture in crops and livestock.

The population of domestic animals such as cattle and goats is on the increase. Therefore, the idea of establishing a dairy farm is well-timed. Dairy farm is a class of agricultural, or an animal husbandry enterprise, for long-term production of milk, usually from dairy cows but also from goats and sheep, which may be either processed on-site or transported to a dairy factory for processing and eventual retail sale. It is a lucrative business which can fetch big profits due to the increasing and ready market for Dairy products.

Aqua-culture

The district is endowed with water bodies most suited for Aquaculture activities. Aquaculture is the growing of fish and any other water creatures. It is a foreign culture in our society. There has been a lot of encouragement to local communities to get involved but it has not yet formed grip. However, despite the initial capital outlay, this type of farming would generate some good financial earning to the district.

Bee Keeping (Apiculture)

Manyinga district is one of the districts in Zambia which produces natural - scrumptious honey which has a great potential to compete even at the international market. However, this industry has not been fully exploited in the district. This business idea therefore, is for keeping bees for production of honey and perhaps bee wax. The business has huge revenue potential to the district.

Mining

With proved deposits of high grade of Cooper, gold, oil and other precious metals, Manyinga offers significant investment in mining processing.

There is high potential for investment in Mining exploration. Currently mining activities taking place in the district have been artisanal and small scale illegal level. Therefore, anchor investment in this sector would undoubtedly provide attractive returns on investments.

Manyinga's Comparative advantage

1. Vast land which is available for investment
2. Abundant mineral resources
3. Abundant water resources
4. There is potential for investment in Manyinga especially that the district is relatively new
5. Known to have among the high grade of gold which is still not being commercially mined
6. Potential to open up an industry for timber processing into final products
7. Because of its natural-scrumptious honey, Manyinga has great potential to have a honey factory opened