

Global ICCA Database Dzombo Kaya, Kenya

CCA Basic data

Site Name (in local language and in English)	Dzombo Kaya
Country (include State and Province)	Kenya (Coastal Province)
Area encompassed by the CCA (specify unit of measurement).	295 ha
GIS Coordinates (if available)	
Whether it includes sea areas (Yes or no)	No
Whether it includes freshwater (Yes or no)	No
Marine (Y or N)	No
Concerned community (name and approx. number of persons)	
Is the community considering itself an indigenous people? (Please note Yes or No; if yes note which people)	No
Is the community considering itself a minority? (Please note Yes or No, if yes on the basis of what, e.g. religion, ethnicity)	No
Is the community permanently settled? (Please note Yes or No; if the community is mobile, does it have a customary transhumance territory?)	Yes
Is the community local per capita income inferior, basically the same or superior to national value? (please note how confident you are about the information)	Same
Is the CCA recognised as a protected area by governmental agencies? (Yes or no; if yes, how? If no, is it otherwise recognized?) If yes, legal document? Establishment date?	Yes
Conflicts with land tenure, natural resource use?	
What is the main management objective (e.g. livelihood, cultural, spiritual...)	Cultural/Spiritual traditional sacred forest
To which IUCN management category do you consider it would best fit (this does not imply that the management objective is consciously pursued by the concerned community, but that it is actually achieved)	III

Additional qualitative information

Main ecosystem type	Coastal forest
Description of biodiversity & resources (ecosystems, species, functions) conserved by the CCA	High-biodiversity coastal forest (350 species; 19.8% rare species)
Description of local ethnic groups and languages spoken	Mijikenda
Broad historical context of the CCA	Traditional sacred forest; gazetted as National Monument to prevent clearance/encroachment
Governance structure for the CCA (who takes management decisions, how?)	Under authority of National Museums of Kenya following monument gazettement
Length of time the governance model has been in place	Since 1990's
Land and resource ownership in the CCA	Central government reserved land
Type of land use in the CCA	Forest
Existence of written or oral management plans and specific rules for the use of natural resources in the CCA	No local plans
Map and zoning of the CCA (please attach if available and relevant,)	Exact location unknown to authors
Relevant pictures with captions (please attach if available)	
Major threats to biodiversity and/or the CCA governance system	Clearance and encroachment resulting from lack of local statutory authority and control over forest
Local CCA-relevant features, stories, names, rules and practices	
Contact details for individuals and organisations	Anthony Githitho, National Museums of Kenya (cfcukilifi@yahoo.com)
References relevant to specific CCA	Githitho, A.N. n.d. The Sacred Mijikenda Kaya Forests of Coastal Kenya and Biodiversity Conservation. Available at: http://www.sacredland.org/PDFs/Mijikenda_Kaya.pdf Viewed 1 July 2007.